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PQ 37465/24 – "To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE addiction counsellors employed by the HSE in CHO9 in 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form" - Duncan Smith TD

Dear Deputy Smith,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Community Healthcare Organisation for Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) Social Inclusion team have advised there are currently a total of 19 Addiction Counsellors employed.

The following table outlines the breakdown of the WTE positions in 2023 & 2024 to date:

CHO DNCC No. of Addiction Counsellors employed		
	2023	2024
Adult Addiction	7.0	7.0
Alcohol Addiction	4.7	4.0
Keltoi - Day Programme Team	4.0	4.0
S.A.S.S.Y. – Substance Abuse Service Specific to Youth	4.0	4.0
Total	19.7	19

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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