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To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown, in tabular form, of the number of staff employed by each drug and alcohol task force; and the number at each staff level.

Dear Deputy Kelly,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

The most recent data collated nationally is as set out in Parliamentary Question 38339/23. The attached table represents this data and details the number of staff employed by the Drug and Alcohol Task Forces and any associated vacancies and numbers at staff levels as of the 25th of September 2023. All other staff or posts which undertake work on behalf of the Task Forces are employed through hosting arrangements or via the HSE and therefore have not been included.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Prof Eamon Keenan

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			No. of posts		
CHO Area	Task Force	employed by DATF	No. of vacancies	Staff Level	at Staff Level
1	Northwest Regional DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	Western Regional DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
3	Mid-West Drug and Alcohol Forum	4	0	Admin Worker aligned to Pobal scales	1
				Development Worker aligned to Pobal scales	2
				Project Worker aligned to Pobal scales	1
4	Cork Local DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Southern Regional DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
5	South East Regional	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
6/7	Ballyfermot DATF	1	0	Grade IV	1
	Dublin 12 DATF	2	0	Grade V	1
				Grade VI	1
	Clondalkin DATF	7	0	Grade IV	2
				Grade V	3
				Grade VI	1
				Grade VII	1
	East Coast Regional DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Southwestern Regional DATF	7	1	Grade III	2
				Grade IV	2
				Grade V	2
				Grade VI	1
	Canals DATF	2	2	Grade IV	1

				Grade VII	1
	South Inner City DATF	0	0	N/A	N/A
	Tallaght DATF	0	0	N/A	N/A
	Bray DATF	0	0	N/A	N/A
	Dun Laoghaire Rathdown DATF	2	0	Grade VI	2
8	Midlands Regional DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	North Dublin Regional DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Ballymun Local DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Dublin North East Local DATF	2	0	CDYSB Youth Leader V	1
				CDYSB Youth Worker	1
	Finglas Cabra Local DATF	4	1	Social Work Point 8	1
				Social Work Point 3	1
				Social Work Point 2	2
	Blanchardstown Local DATF	0	N/A	N/A	N/A