

# Unprecedented workforce crisis in NHS with over 100,000 vacancies – Justin Madders

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**Madders MP, Labour's Shadow Health Minister**, responding to the latest NHS vacancy data, said:

"Theresa May

has overseen an unprecedented workforce crisis in our NHS, with over 100,000 vacancies across the system. These latest figures reveal in the starkest fashion how serious shortages have become, with new trainees put off from joining and existing nurses increasingly retiring early.

"Even in her

own backyard, the situation is desperate. Thames Valley managed to hire just five nurses for 1,957 advertised posts – just one in 400. On the day her own Foreign Secretary has called for emergency funding, Theresa May must get an urgent grip of this escalating chaos in our NHS."

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