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PQ 33858/17

* To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the HSE training programme for addiction staff, level 2 GPs and pharmacists in relation to buprenorphine naloxone and buprenorphine products.

Dear Deputy Chambers,

The Health Service Executive has 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:

Training for addiction staff, level 2 GPs and pharmacists in relation to buprenorphine/naloxone will commence in the last quarter 2017. Currently we are working on amendments to the Opioid Substitution Treatment prescription format and finalising pricing negotiations with the supplier. Once these have been resolved appropriately, training will commence per CHO area and HSE Addiction Services managers will be involved in this process.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joseph Doyle'.

Joseph Doyle
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