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\* To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE staff that have received training in 2017 on SAOR screening and brief intervention for problem alcohol and substance use.

Dear Deputy Kelleher,

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 in SAOR (S (Support) A (Ask and Assess) O (Offer assistance) R (Referral)) Screening and Brief Intervention for problem alcohol and substance use is on-going nationally.

Preliminary Quarterly Key Performance Indicators (KPI's) for 2017 show that 1,239 staff across all sectors (in HSE and other statutory support services, in community and voluntary sectors) have been trained in SAOR so far this year.

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

Yours sincerely,

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