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**PQ ref 4083/19                      To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent cardiac Consultants required to provide 24/7 cardiac cover at UHW; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Butler,

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

The Acute Coronary Syndrome Programme guidelines specifies that a minimum of five to seven Consultant Interventional Cardiologists are required for the provision of 24/7 cardiac service.

Yours sincerely



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