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12th February, 2019.

Ms. Mary Butler TD,
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 4085/19 : To ask the Minister for Health the rota of consultant cover for the emergency department at UHW for all weekends from January 2018 to December 2018; and if consultant cover at weekends for the emergency department is voluntary or a condition of contract

Dear Deputy Butler,

The consultant contract allows for the rostering of consultants as follows:

- The Consultant is contracted to undertake such duties / provide such services as are set out in this Contract in the manner specified for 39 hours per week. This 39 hour commitment may be delivered as part of:
 - Monday to Friday working where the Consultant's commitment will be delivered across a span of 12 hours between the hours of 8am and 8pm Monday to Friday;

Or

 - 5/7 working where the Consultant's commitment will be delivered across a span of 12 hours between the hours of 8am and 8pm Monday to Sunday;

Or

 - 24/7 working where the Consultant's commitment will be delivered during the span of the 24 hour day, Monday to Sunday to ensure a rostered on-site Consultant presence over the 24/7 period.
- Scheduling arrangements may be changed from time to time within the 8am to 8pm period or otherwise in line with clinical and/or service need as determined by the Clinical Director on behalf of the Employer in consultation with the Consultant.

There is a consultant presence in the ED on Saturdays and Sundays.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Grace Rothwell
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