

## Oifig an Stiúrthóra Náisiúnta, Acmhainní Daonna

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## PQ 27333/19

To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of providing staffing cover for HSE staff that engage in continuous professional development courses

Dear Deputy,

Please see enclosed final response to your recent parliamentary question above which was sent to the HSE for reply.

If you require any further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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## Response

The information requested is not captured centrally within the HSE. However, line managers throughout the system are encouraged to ensure there is the requisite cover in place within the existing staffing cohort to release staff members for CPD courses as required.

There is an imperative from the Regulatory Bodies (e.g. Medical Council, CORU, Nursing and Midwifery & Board) for professions regulated by them to undertake Continuous Professional Development in order to retain their professional status. It is the responsibility of staff to manage this requirement. Oftentimes, staff obtain their CPD hours by attending courses in their own time, completing on-line tutorials or by attending in-house courses.

Sincerely,

Pat O'Boyle

Assistant National Director Health Service Executive