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PQ 18049/20: To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of providing staffing cover for HSE staff who engage in continuous professional development courses - Louise O'Reilly. -

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent parliamentary question above which was sent to the HSE for reply.

The information requested is not recorded centrally by the HSE. I can advise the Deputy, however, that all managers in the HSE are requested to ensure that there is adequate cover to facilitate staff attending at CPD training 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. It should be noted that in many cases staff obtain their CPD hours by attending courses in their own time, by attending in-house courses and by competing on-line tutorials.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marie O'Sullivan".

Marie O Sullivan
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