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PQ 18419/20 * *To ask the Minister for Health the number of workers in the public health system by profession and hospital that have been required to work back-to-back shifts resulting in working for 14 to 24 and 24 plus hours; and if he will make a statement on the matter.*

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I am advised that the information you have requested is not collected. However, all hospitals/line managers are expected to comply with the provisions of the Organisation of Working Time Act 1997 alongside the European Working Time Directive.

In the event of an emergency resulting in a staff member working longer than the scheduled roster, there are provisions for compensatory rest arrangements, which should be adhered to.

I trust that this is of assistance

Yours sincerely,

Carol Ivory
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