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Re: To ask the Minister for Health if agency workers involved in contact tracing are bound by HSE policies and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Farrell,

Thank you for your query in relation to whether agency workers involved in Contact Tracing are bound by HSE policies.

I wish to advise that all health care workers employed through third party agencies including Contact Tracing Roles are bound by HSE Policies and Standards and operate under the Governance of the HSE.

I can confirm that the following wording is included in the Contract of Employment that Contact Tracers employed through agency are asked to sign:

'Where the HSE have indicated that the [the Agency] contact tracers should adhere to a HSE policy, [the Agency] have asked their employees to abide by these policies.'

I hope this clarifies the position. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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