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Re: PQ53132/21

To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the issue of remuneration levels awarded to ward clerks in hospitals (details supplied); if this issue will be urgently reviewed; if a uniform grade 4 recognition will be awarded to all ward clerks throughout the hospital network; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Carey

I refer to your PQ to the Minister of Health, which was forwarded to the HSE for reply.

It does appear that there are different grading arrangements obtaining in respect of Ward Clerks in different parts of the country. The HSE will conduct a review of the grading structures obtaining in respect of the different Hospital Groups to ascertain the precise arrangements applying.

If this review indicates significant variations we will engage with relevant hospitals as to how same might be addressed. Any initiative in this regard that might be considered will require to be consistent with the provisions of the Public Service Agreement 2021-2022.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Delamere', written over a circular stamp.

John Delamere,
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