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To: Deputy Seán Canney, Houses of the Oireachtas, Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2

10th November 2021

Re: Indoor Dining Regulations - Parliamentary Question 54002/21

Dear Deputy Canney,
I refer to your parliamentary question as set out below;

To ask the Minister for Health if staff in the Covid-19 compliance unit within the HSE who monitor the hospitality sector are themselves fully vaccinated thus allowing entry to hospitality venues; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Response:

As an employer the HSE is not at liberty to ascertain the vaccination status of its employees so this information is not available.

By way of information however, the Indoor Dining Regulations provide a definition of a person permitted to enter a premises.

As well as those permitted persons who can provide proof of immunity via a vaccination certificate or certificate of recovery, there is also a specific provision for persons to be permitted into the premises for the purposes of providing professional services or work. HSE Compliance Officers fall under this provision and are therefore not required to present proof of immunity before entry.

I trust that this answers your query.

Yours sincerely

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