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PQ47220/21 To ask the Minister for Health the whole-time equivalent number of bank or agency staff contracted to the HSE by staff group in each of the years 2017 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

Dear Deputy,

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

The Deputy should note that all health systems have a level of reliance on agency staffing in order to deliver safe and effective services over 365 days, 24 hours a day, when dealing with gaps in recruitment, critical staff shortages, short term crises etc.

I have to advise the Deputy that HSE agency staffing resources are collated on the basis of expenditure. Overall agency WTE figures are not centrally recorded and the information requested is not available in the format requested.

Yours sincerely,

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