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Deputy Bríd Smith TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re PQ 61517 22 & PQ 61518 22: *To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding section 38 workers; if funding has been made available to ensure that these workers receive the pay awards agreed under the Building Momentum pay agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter.*

Dear Deputy Smith,

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

A specific capped fund has been provided for the Sectoral Bargaining units as defined in the initial Building Momentum agreement and funding allocations were posted to the relevant eligible cost centres on the HSE Budget system in September/October 2022 so all Section 38 organisations should now be in a position to accrue or disburse any associated expenses.

Regarding the recently agreed extension to the Building Momentum - Public Service Agreement 2021-2023, funding by Government for these pay awards will be allocated to the HSE as part of the Revised Estimates Volume 2022/2023 over the coming weeks. Budgetary allocations will then be made to Section 38 organisations once this funding has been allocated to the HSE by Government.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at sarah.anderson1@hse.ie or tel: 087 9423319.

Yours sincerely

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