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Question: To ask the Minister for Health if staff employed on the HSE MyOptions hotline have been trained to provide advice and information for expectant mothers on relevant social welfare entitlements and supports.

Deputy McGrath,

Thank you for your question to the Minister for Health, which was forwarded to my office to respond to you directly.

My Options offers non-directive counselling and information for people experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Information is available about all options, including continued pregnancy supports and abortion services.

MyOptions can provide information and support on social welfare entitlements and supports and can further signpost people to other services such as the askonefamily helpline which provides expertise in this area. <https://onefamily.ie/information-service-helpline/>

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maeve O'Brien".

Maeve O'Brien
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