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PQ 35326/22 To ask the Minister for Health the estimated number of hours worked by NCHDs in cases in which they have not been paid in each of the years 2018 to 2021 and to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent parliamentary question which was sent to the HSE for response.

Hours worked are paid locally by each clinical site that employs NCHDs.

Per the national NCHD contract, all hours worked in excess of the averaged 39 hours each week are liable for payment at overtime rates as specified in Department of Health salary scales. Unrostered overtime approved locally by the relevant Consultant / Clinical Director will be paid to the NCHD. The employing clinical site may query such unrostered overtime or approval of same. Should a query be made, the NCHD will be notified of same. Payment will be made subsequent to any queries regarding such unrostered overtime being resolved.

Therefore if any such issues were to have arisen, they would be managed locally by the employing hospital or service.

Yours sincerely,

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