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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 635 of 24 May 2022, if there is now a grade code for cognitive behaviour psychotherapists within the HSE; if so, the number of full-time cognitive behaviour psychotherapists currently employed by the HSE; the number of additional cognitive behaviour psychotherapist posts that are planned; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Pauline Tully

Dear Deputy Tully,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT) is practiced by a number of professions within Mental Health Services. The Strategic Workforce Planning & Intelligence Unit have confirmed that there is no grade code for Cognitive Behaviour Psychotherapists within the HSE.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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