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Deputy David Cullinane  
Leinster House  
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**PQ 29855/22: To ask the Minister for Health the cost and applicable salary scale of a publicly-employed dentist equivalent to estimated private earnings of a partner and associate dentist.**

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

The cost and applicable salary scale of a publicly-employed dentist is detailed below.

**General Dental Surgeon Salary Scale (Effective from 1/10/21)**

€63,377; 66,594; 69,765; 72,018; 75,320; 78,639; 81,943; **86,908 91,872 (The last two salary points are Long Service Increments LSIs)**

HSE dentists are members of the public service pension scheme with employee and employer contribution funding pension arrangements.

Associated operational costs for dentists providing services in HSE are estimated at approximately 30% of salary costs which includes employer's PRSI and all non-pay costs relating to clinical care or services.

The information sought by the Deputy about estimated private earnings of a partner and associate dentist is not available to the HSE.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

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