

Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte Rannóg na nGnóthaí Parlaiminteacha Oifig an Phríomhoifigigh Feidhmiúcháin Office of the Chief Executive Officer Ionad Gnó Gheata na Páirce Sráid Gheata na Páirce Baile Átha Cliath 8 / D08 YFF1

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Deputy Peadar Tóibín Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

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Re: PQ 11361/22

Question: To ask the Minister for Health if the CEO of the HSE has completed the HSEs online safeguarding training; and the date upon which he completed same.

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

The CEO is very familiar the various policy framework around adult and vulnerable person safeguarding. The relevant links to those policies can be accessed from the links indicated below:

- 1. The National Standards for Adult safeguarding
  - https://www.higa.ie/reports-and-publications/standard/national-standards-adult-safeguarding
- 2. The Safeguarding Vulnerable Persons at Risk of Abuse National Policy & Procedures (2014) https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/corporate/personsatriskofabuse.pdf
- The National Safeguarding Office's Annual Report (2020) 3. https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/socialcare/safeguardingvulnerableadults/nationalsafeguardingof ficereport2020.pdf

The HSE Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults and Adults at Risk training programme went fully online in September 2020 and is available to all staff in the HSE and HSE-funded services.

This training is mandatory for all staff working within Older Persons Services and Disability Services, and is required to be completed by staff within these services every three years.

I wish to confirm that the Chief Executive Officer has completed the online safeguarding training module.

If you require any further information or clarification, please do contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Ray Mitchell Parliamentary Affairs Division