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**PQ Number: 26669/22** 

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of regulation of counselling and

psychotherapy; and if he will make a statement on the matter -Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

This is not a matter for the HSE to respond to.

Regulation of Health & Social care professionals including Counsellors and Psychotherapists is a matter for CORU under the Health & Social Care Professionals Act 2005 and subsequent amendments.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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