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Deputy Thomas Pringle TD
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To ask the Minister for Health if he will instruct the HSE to pay the Special Leave with Pay and in particular concerning Donegal NAS staff for Covid-19 to staff as agreed earlier this year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Thomas Pringle

Dear Deputy Pringle,

The National Ambulance Service, Chief Ambulance Officer, in the West, can confirm that North West Ambulance Staff are paid 7 days Special Leave with Pay where employees provide a text showing evidence of a positive PCR test / or a positive antigen test which has been registered on the HSE portal and a completed Covid-19 Self declaration form.

I am attaching the HR Circular 022/2022 which we adhere to nationally in relation to Covid-19 absences from work. As per Paragraph 1 of this Circular, all employees will receive SLWP for the duration of the self-isolation period, which is currently 7 days. Also see attached; Appendix C: Covid-19, Self declaration form for special leave with Pay for Public Health Service employees.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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