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PQ 22756/23 To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 200 of 15 February 2023, 1151 of 21 March 2023 and 1452 of 18 April 2023, the number of staff directly employed by the HSE known to be on leave from work for more than one year due to long-Covid symptoms, as evidenced by their receipt of special Covid leave with pay for that period of time; the reason the HSE has not released this figure in response to previous Parliamentary Questions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Neasa Hourigan

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent Parliamentary Question which was sent to the HSE for response.

With thanks to the Deputy for her patience on this PQ – we have reached out to our colleagues nationally in order to verify the details requested.

To advise the Deputy that based on reportings up to the end of March 2023 there are 136 staff reported absent due to Covid for more than one year- the criteria used was ' staff directly employed by the HSE (not including S38s) on leave for in excess of one year up to end March 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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