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**PQ 36144/25**

Dear Deputy Sheehan,

I refer to your correspondence dated 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

Table below outlines the number of staff currently on a career break at HSE Mid West acute hospitals by length on time.

Length of Career Break	Number of Employees
1 year	22
2 years	27
3 years	11
4 years	3
5 years	6
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>69</u></b>

I trust this clarifies the position. Please contact me if you have any further queries.

Kind Regards,

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