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Mr. David Cullinane, TD

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PQ 24150/25 (Health) – To ask the Minister for Health when she will publish terms of reference for the review of the physician associate grade: and if she will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

Dear Deputy,

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

The 2025 HSE National Service Plan committed the HSE to carry out an independent comprehensive assessment of the physician assistant role internationally and to make recommendations for standardisation, scope of practice, and appropriate deployment in Ireland. This assessment is expected to be completed by the end of 2025. The HSE will share the final terms of reference with the Department of Health. The assessment is expected to commence shortly.

I trust this is of some assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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National HR