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Mr. Thomas Gould,T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2.

PQ 17878/24

"To ask the Minister for Health the reason subsistence payments to nursing students working under the Cope Foundation have not being paid."

Dear Deputy Gould,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parlimentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for response.

The CEO of COPE Foundation has advised that on receipt of confirmation of funding for these payments from the HSE, their payroll department calculated the monies owed to each student nurse. Student nurses will see subsistence payments reflected in their wages which have been paid into their bank accounts on 22nd April 2024.

If I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours sincerely,

Ingele leil

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