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**PQ 2877/24**: To ask the Minister for Health if his Department would engage with the HSE to review the current position where there are no psychotherapists employed by them, in view of the fact that it is well recognised that they provide a valuable service to vulnerable patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Colm Burke

Dear Deputy,

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

The HSE currently does not have any psychotherapists listed in this Grade Code. There are no active plans to commence recruiting at this grade.

I trust this clarifies and is of some assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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