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**PQ11293/23**

**To ask the Minister for Health the average cost of an addiction case worker per year.**

Dear Deputy Gould,

The Health Service Executive has been advised to reply directly to you in response to the above parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for your response.

As there is no specific grade code for an "Addiction Case Worker", the following HSE Staff Grade Codes could be considered for equivalence.

The salary scale for a Family Support Worker (Grade Code 6416) is from €33,851 to €38,228. The average cost per year, calculated using the midpoint of the scale plus PRSI, overtime and other allowances, is €41,618.

The salary scale for the Social Care Worker (Grade Code 3029) is from €36,195 to €51,941. The average cost per year, calculated using the midpoint of the scale plus PRSI, overtime and other allowances, is €60,581.

The salary scale for a Project Worker employed as a Grade V (Grade Code 0566) is from €47,335 to €56,722. The average cost per year, which is calculated using the midpoint of the scale plus PRSI, overtime and other allowances, is €58,575.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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