



Deputy Niall Collins
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

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Re PQ 8808/19

Question

To ask the Minister for Health the number of State contracts that were not awarded to the lowest tender or bid in each year since 2011 to date in his Department or bodies under the aegis of his Department; the reason the lowest tender or bid was not chosen; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

-Niall Collins

Response


Deputy Collins,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Tenders are awarded by the HSE on a "Most Economically Advantageous Tender" (MEAT) basis. This enables the HSE to take account of criteria that reflect qualitative, technical and sustainable aspects of the tender submission as well as price when reaching an award decision. The award criteria and the weightings applied to each criteria depends on the nature of the procurement and is agreed by the expert Procurement Evaluation Group for each procurement process.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Head of Procurement on (01) 635 2251 or via ohop@hse.ie.

Yours sincerely,



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