



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

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Details Supplied: Genomic Medicines Ireland

PQ 11481/20

To ask the Minister for Health the terms of the agreement reached with a company (details supplied) for Covid-19 testing; and the way in which the samples and related data are being handled - Louise O'Reilly.

PQ 11478/20

To ask the Minister for Health if the deal with an organisation (details supplied) for additional testing Covid-19 protected the samples which were taken from persons; and if the genetic material and data cannot be used for anything other than Covid-19 testing or held for an inordinate length of time - Louise O'Reilly.

PQ 11480/20

To ask the Minister for Health the health facilities that have transferred genetic material and data to a company (details supplied) to date; and if all patients that had their data transferred consented to this transfer or if it was transferred without their consent and unbeknownst to them - Louise O'Reilly.

Dear Deputy O'Reilly

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question's.

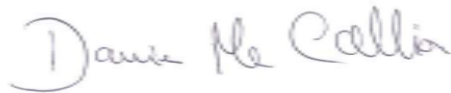
As all of the questions relate to the same company I have compiled them into one response. I hope this is satisfactory.

The HSE does not have a contract with GMI. GMI are contracted through the NVRL to provide a test assay for laboratory COVID testing.

GMI do not provide any testing services or have any responsibility for results. Hence they do not have access to patient details and patient samples.

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

Yours sincerely,



Damien McCallion
National Director, HSE