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RE PQ 35357/20

Question

To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE adheres to a code of conduct during the contract tendering process; and if he will provide a copy of the code of conduct if available. -Róisín Shortall

Response

Deputy Shortall,

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.

HSE adheres to a strict code of conduct during the contract tendering process including compliance with the Code of Ethics in Public Procurement (see link below) and HSE Procurement Policy (copy attached). Declarations of Conflict of Interest, Declarations of Confidentiality and a Communications Protocol are also used for tender processes.

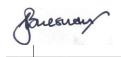
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HSE National Financial Regulation – 01 purchase to Pay Process also provides clear instruction on the contract tendering process. NFR-01 is accessible from the following link; https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/financial%20regulations/nfrv4.pdf

Furthermore, HSE conducts procurement activity having due regard for the National Public Procurement Policy Framework, a copy of which is attached for reference.

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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