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Deputy Louise O'Reilly TD,  
Dáil Éireann,  
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Dublin 2.

**Re PQ 17265 21:** *To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid to a company (details supplied) since the beginning of the Covid-19 crisis by services provided in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.  
Details supplied - CPL*

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive 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. Your PQ above has been referred to me for response.

Please see **Table 1** below for the amounts paid to CPL or any variant of CPL for COVID-19 related costs for the period March to December 2020, which is the latest data available.

**Table 1**

<b>Total Covid-19 related costs paid to CPL for the period March to December 2020</b>	
<i>HSE Statutory Services only</i>	
<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>*Mar - Dec 2020 €</b>
CPL HEALTHCARE	1,071,412
CPL HEALTHCARE LIMITED	8,430,064
CPL HEALTHCARE LTD	2,091,912
CPL SOLUTIONS	533,457
CPL SOLUTIONS LIMITED	189,513
CPL SOLUTIONS LTD	132,231
FLEX SOURCE LTD	1,010
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,449,599</b>

*Source: HSE HBS National Payment Services AP system*

*\*Note: Please note 2020 figures are draft only and are subject to change within the year end audit process  
Please note in view of the fact that there are still currently numerous ledger systems in operation in the HSE,  
there are different variants of company names and some differences in coding may arise.*

The above data was sourced from HSE HBS National Payment Services following a search of the COVID-19 cost centres for spend with CPL and is for HSE Statutory services only. Please note that the 2020 data is draft only and is subject to change within the year end audit process.

In 2020 the HSE have sourced additional agency staff primarily to support the expansion of the workforce in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and also to support service delivery and COVID-19 response due to increased staff absence due to COVID-19. See **Table 2** in Appendix 1 below for the breakdown by service area.

Due to the immediate nature of the unprecedented emergency, coupled with the additional strain already being felt by the HSE recruitment services, it was necessary to engage outside agencies to assist in this work.

The CPL Group were engaged by the HSE to both provide additional immediate and urgent job ready healthcare staffing capacity through Be on Call. It should be noted that the healthcare staff recruited through Be on Call are not HSE staff and are employed directly by CPL.

CPL have also provided the HSE with additional recruitment capacity by providing a third party recruitment engine for urgent grades of HSE staff including Swabbers, Vaccinators, Student Nurse HCA's, Staff Grade Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists and Speech & Language Therapists. The scope of requirements is to provide a range of recruitment services across many critical grades including permanent, fixed term and/or specific purpose contracts to meet the exacting demands of the HSE with the service provider delivering a transparent HR Recruitment Services on behalf of HR Shared Services. Services include online job application handling, shortlisting, Interview scheduling, obtaining clearances for applicants including ID checks, Garda Vetting, Employment and/or Educational References, Occupational Health, and Professional Registration, conducting Interviews, creating Panels, Job Offers, and Contract issuance to cleared applicants, or a subset of these.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at [sarah.anderson1@hse.ie](mailto:sarah.anderson1@hse.ie) or tel: 087 9423319.

Yours sincerely



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**Appendix 1 to PQ 17265 21**

**Table 2**

<b>Total Covid-19 related costs paid to CPL for the period March to December 2020</b>	
<i>HSE Statutory Services only</i>	
<b>Service Area</b>	<b>*Mar - Dec 2020</b>
	<b>€</b>
Human Resources	6,526,831
Testing & Tracing	1,983,960
Older Persons Services	1,060,718
Health & Wellbeing Division	657,203
Acute Hospitals Division	547,611
Primary Care Division	540,418
Mental Health Division	402,733
Disabilities	309,878
OoCIO	208,688
CHO HQs & Community Services	110,846
Communications	80,108
Local Demand Led Schemes	12,075
Health & Wellbeing Community	8,531
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>12,449,599</b>

**Source:** *HSE HBS National Payment Services AP system*

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