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23rd September, 2021

**Deputy P. Daly, TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare St, Dublin 2**

PQ Number: 42572/21

Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) – South (Cork & Kerry) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this office for response.

PQ: To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid by University Hospital Kerry in external consultancy fees relating to microbiology.

Further to above PQ the total spend on external microbiology fees in University Hospital Kerry for the period January - August 2021 was €154,046.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



**Fearghal Grimes
General Manager
University Hospital Kerry**