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## RE PQ 1278/22

## Question

To ask the Minister for Health the number of antigen tests acquired by the Government and the HSE since March 2020; the total spent on acquiring these antigen tests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Michael McNamara

## Response

Deputy Michael McNamara,

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.

The HSE has purchased 28,157,400 antigen tests since March 2020, to support all antigen test programs.

The total spent on these tests is circa €79,704,575.

The HSE is providing antigen tests for a number of pathways, including close contacts, Primary schools, early years and symptomatics.

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 2688 or via <a href="mailto:ohop@hse.ie">ohop@hse.ie</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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