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Deputy Róisín Shortall TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re PQ 30994 22: *To ask the Minister for Health the number of non-statutory agencies receiving funding to provide health and social care services by name and by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and the amount paid by the State to each of these agencies in each year for the past ten years.*

Details supplied: *Section 38, Section 39, Out of State and For Profit organisations*

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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.

Each year the HSE Annual Report and Financial Statements (AFS) Appendix 1, details HSE Revenue and Capital grants to Section 38 & 39 agencies, charities and other grant funded organisations. All agencies in receipt of grants greater than €100k are listed by name. This information is available from the HSE website at the following link <https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/corporate/annualrpts.html>, with all HSE Annual Reports and Financial Statements listed from 2005 to 2021. In Appendix 1 of the AFS, the categories of funded organisations (for example Section 38s & 39s) are not separately identifiable. The data is compiled on an annual basis.

The data in Appendix 1 of the AFS is collated centrally on an annual basis and subject to audit for the purposes of the HSE Annual Financial Statements (AFS) process. Due to the limitations in the HSE financial systems and the lack of a single standard financial system for the Health Sector this data must be collated as part of an extensive and resource intensive exercise. I regret to inform you that, due to the limitations in our financial systems, we are unable to extract the data by each agency category type from our records of grants to outside agencies.

The shortcomings in our legacy financial systems are well acknowledged and their replacement by a single standard financial system for the Health Sector is at the core of the Finance Reform programme initiated by the Department of Health.

Please note that the information provided in Appendix 1 of the AFS is the grant funding by the HSE to outside agencies. For information on the spend by Section 38 and 39 voluntary entities, you should submit requests to

the entities directly. Contact details for voluntary hospitals are available at <http://foi.gov.ie/voluntary-hospitals/>.

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

Yours sincerely



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