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Deputy Johnny Guirke
Dáil Eireann
Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Guirke

I refer to your recent PQ which has been forwarded to me for attention.

To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent by the HSE in contracting debt collection agencies to pursue unpaid fees and charges from inpatient and day services from those attending hospitals managed by Children's Health Ireland in each of the years 2015 to 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Childrens Health Ireland (CHI) Response:

Childrens Health Ireland (CHI) have reviewed your PQ and the information you require prior to 2018 is not attainable from CHI's administration system.

I have set out here-under the information that CHI can provide. Please note that the debt collection remittances do not differentiate between Inpatient and Day Cases.

Payment to collection agency	Portion Debt Collection Invoice fees pertaining to Inpatient / Day Cases. Amounts collected including Vat
2018	€50,508
2019	€42,332
2020	€32,272
2021	€7,015

Intrum Ireland Ltd ceased the debt collection service for CHI in December 2020. Subsequently, a tender was completed in quarter 3 2021. CHI commenced business with Credit Management Outsource Solutions (CMOS) in January 2022.

Yours sincerely

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