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Deputy David Cullinane Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

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Re: PQ 7066/23 - To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent by HSE hospitals on private medical and other healthcare services for public patients for each year 2013 to 2022, by provider/consultant for each hospital by service type, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which had been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

You may be aware that we were in contact with your office to seek clarification this question.

Having reviewed this matter further and engaged with colleagues at national, regional and local level, regrettably this information is not readily available in a standardised or comparable format.

The shortcomings in the HSE legacy 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.

We regret being unable to assist in responding to this question, for the above reasons.

Yours sincerely

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