

1st February 2023

Deputy Neasa Hourigan,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2

PQ ref 1146/23

“To ask the Minister for Health if any potential conflicts of interest among HSE managers were made known to the CHO4 chief officer in respect of contracts of any kind offered by the HSE or in respect of any purchases made by the HSE during the years 2019 to 2022; if such declarations have been made, the number that were made during the timeframe in question in CHO4; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

In reviewing records from 2019 to 2022 in relation to conflicts of interest made known to the Chief Officer of Cork Kerry Community Healthcare (CHO 4), one such record has been found. In that case a potential conflict of interest was made known to the Chief Officer by a manager in relation to a potential purchase of a property. The manager had no role in the identification or decision making process and was precluded from any further role in the matter. The HSE’s Estates Dept followed the normal procedure in relation to the purchase of the property.

Yours sincerely,



Michael Fitzgerald
Chief Officer