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Deputy Alan Kelly Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

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PQ 35855/23 - To ask the Minister for Health if he will list the various staff responsible for fire prevention in Beaumont Hospital, Dublin, Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda, St. James's Hospital Dublin and St. Vincent's Hospital Dublin; if he will supply the respective full job descriptions of the staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Alan Kelly

Dear Deputy Kelly,

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.

Acute Operations contacted RCSI Hospital Group, Ireland East Hospital Group (IEHG) and Dublin Midlands Hospital Group (DMHG) in answering your question.

RCSI Hospital Group outlined the following position.

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda:

HSE Estates have a dedicated Fire Prevention Officer designated for Dublin North East that provides fire and safety advice and assistance and manages capital fire safety upgrade works within Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda.

The Facilities & General Services Department along with the Health & Safety Officer in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda, in conjunction with the Senior Management Team including Out of Hours Service act as the focal point for all matters relating to the management of fire safety within the Hospital.

Beaumont Hospital:

Beaumont Hospital has a Fire Safety Committee, chaired by the MIP (Major Incident Planning) Co-ordinator, which acts as the focal point for all matters relating to the management of fire safety. The committee comprises of MIP, Head of Facilities Management, Director of Quality & Patient Safety, Health & Safety Co-ordinator as well as representation from nursing and business managers and St Joseph's Hospital Campus.

IEHG outlined the following position.

St. Vincent's University Hospital (SVUH)

The Role of Fire Safety on the St Vincent's University Hospital campus is managed through a Fire Prevention Officer and Grade VI Estates Officer, with assistance from Fire First Responders (ADON's, Security and Estates Staff) and Heads of Departments to manage all fire safety risks.

SVUH provided the attached job specification.

DMHG outlined the following position.

St. James' Hospital (SJH)

St James's Hospital have advised; there is a team of two staff who are responsible for fire safety regulations in the hospital.

SJH have provided the job description for the fire services manager and the role profile for the assistant fire officer.

See documents attached.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Nessa Lynch General Manager Acute Operations