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Deputy Sean Sherlock TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re PQ 21633 23: To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 234 of 7 October 2020, the breakdown of all payments made to each company; and the service they provided since March 2020 to-date in 2023, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Sherlock,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. Your PQ above has been referred to me for response.

In compliance with the stipulations of the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (“the Code”), as published by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in August 2016, the HSE discloses the total Consultancy costs charged to Income and Expenditure in Appendix 2 to the HSE Annual Financial Statements (AFS). Consultancy costs include costs of external expert analysis and advice to management which contributes to decision making or policy direction. It excludes outsourced ‘business as usual’ functions. In order to meet this disclosure requirement, an extensive exercise, involving manual collation from numerous ledger systems and analysis of the data, is completed annually as part of the AFS process. The latest consultancy costs available are contained in the 2021 HSE Annual Financial Statements. These can be accessed from the HSE website at the following link:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/corporate/annualrpts.html>

The costs comprise both Covid and non-Covid related Consultancy costs. Please see Appendix 1 below for the breakdown of the Covid related Consultancy costs by provider as requested. This has previously been provided to you in response to your PQ 34018 22.

The data requested for the year 2022 will be available after publication of the HSE AFS 2022 which is expected to be published next month. With regard to the 2023 data, this will be collated as part of the AFS process and will be available on the publication 2023 AFS.

The shortcomings in the HSE 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.

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

Yours sincerely

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Appendix 1 to PQ 34018 22 previously released to Deputy Seán Sherlock on 14th Sept 2022

Table 1
HSE Covid-19 Consultancy costs by vendor for the year 2020

| HSE Covid-19 Consultancy costs by vendor for the year 2020 | € | Workstreams |
|--|-------------------|--|
| ERNST & YOUNG BUSINESS ADVISORS | 7,625,027 | Integrated National Operational Hub (INOH) Governance Capacity planning & analysis COVID-19 testing & tracing system services Strategic workforce planning Relevant Accountants' role for COVID-19 Private Hospitals Arrangement |
| PRICEWATERHOUSE COOPERS | 4,050,940 | Procurement for PPE modelling/forecasting Clinical programmes Support to contact tracing centres |
| GRANT THORNTON | 1,329,497 | Communications Estates and building readiness Acute & Community capacity programme management and reporting |
| DELOITTE IRELAND LLP | 1,273,813 | COVID-19 testing & tracing system services Operational quality management Reporting on 24/7 basis to National Laboratory Programme Project management and consulting resources to advance laboratory initiatives |
| PA CONSULTING GROUP | 1,232,655 | Services to ensure continuity of Programme delivery and reduce loss of investment due to COVID-19 impacts |
| VISION CONSULTING LTD | 937,207 | COVID-19 testing & tracing system services |
| PROSPECTUS LTD | 434,385 | COVID-19 Acute Hospital Division |
| KPMG | 415,097 | ICT programme support and technology Enablement including supporting the development of COVID-19 reporting dashboards |
| Sub total > €200k | 17,298,620 | |
| Sub total < €200k | 1,602,921 | |
| Overall Total | 18,901,541 | |
| <i>Source: HSE Financial Data Analysis & Systems</i> | | |

Table 2
HSE Covid-19 Consultancy costs by vendor for the year 2021

| HSE Covid-19 Consultancy costs by vendor for the year 2021 | € | Workstreams |
|--|-------------------|--|
| ERNST & YOUNG BUSINESS ADVISORS | 12,501,479 | Integrated National Operational Hub (INOH) Governance Capacity planning & analysis COVID-19 testing & tracing system services Strategic workforce planning Relevant Accountants' role for COVID-19 Private Hospitals Arrangement |
| PRICEWATERHOUSE COOPERS | 1,744,435 | Procurement for PPE modelling/forecasting Clinical programmes Support to contact tracing centres |
| GRANT THORNTON | 1,026,425 | Communications Estates and building readiness Acute & Community capacity programme management and reporting |
| DELOITTE IRELAND LLP | 2,857,584 | COVID-19 testing & tracing system services Operational quality management Reporting on 24/7 basis to National Laboratory Programme Project management and consulting resources to advance laboratory initiatives |
| PA CONSULTING GROUP | 597,840 | Services to ensure continuity of Programme delivery and reduce loss of investment due to COVID-19 impacts |
| VISION CONSULTING LTD | 2,922,232 | COVID-19 testing & tracing system services |
| MCO Projects Limited | 304,521 | COVID 19 Vaccine support |
| PROSPECTUS LTD | 658,195 | COVID-19 Acute Hospital Division |
| KPMG | 108,229 | ICT programme support and technology Enablement including supporting the development of COVID-19 reporting dashboards |
| Overall Total | 22,720,941 | |
| <i>Source: HSE Financial Data Analysis & Systems</i> | | |