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

Re PQ 21634 23: *To ask the Minister for Health the cost of each contract entered into by his Department and the agencies under his remit to deal with Covid-19 management and reaction; and the name of the contractor in each case.*

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.

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	

Source: HSE Financial Data Analysis & Systems

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	

Source: HSE Financial Data Analysis & Systems