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23rd February 2024

PQ 45626/23* To ask the Minister for Health to provide a detailed explanation of the processes, milestones and timelines that led to the recently released tender for Cork University Hospital Clinical Medical School; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Shanahan

PQ 45631/23* To ask the Minister for Health to provide a detailed timeline of the recent tender for Cork University Hospital clinical medical school progress through the public spending code and associated processes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Shanahan

PQ 45661/23* To ask the Minister for Health to provide a detailed explanation of the processes, milestones and timelines that led to the recently released HSE tender for Cork University Hospital Clinical Medical School; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Shanahan

PQ 45662/23* To ask the Minister for Health to detail the source of funding for the recently released tender for Cork University Hospital Clinical Medical School; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Shanahan

Dear Deputy Shanahan,

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. Due to the recent industrial action by management and administrative grade staff in Forsa union in the HSE, there were delays in the processing and answering of Parliamentary Questions. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.



The tender procedure was “Restricted Procedure for works Contractor” under the Capital Works Management Framework.

The building was originally tendered by the HSE on behalf of University College Cork (UCC) in Q2 2022.

Following a review by stakeholders of a number of planning and design considerations including those related to maximizing the development potential of the preferred location on campus, revised design and tender documents were prepared which were issued to the shortlisted contractors for tender and pricing purposes on 10th October 2023.

Tenders were returned in December 2023, with the final draft of the tender report issued to UCC on 30th January 2024 for consideration.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian O'Connell".

Brian O'Connell
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