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Deputy Pat Buckley TD,  
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**Re PQ 15851 25:** *To ask the Minister for Health the amount three hospitals (details supplied) earned in car parking fees in 2024. - Cork University Hospital. Bon Secours Hospital, Cork. South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork.*

Dear Deputy Buckley,

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. Your PQ above has been referred to me for response.

The car parking income for Cork University Hospital in 2024 was €2,334,183. 2024 figures are draft only and subject to change until the HSE Annual Financial Statements are approved and published.

Car parking charges are managed locally at each individual hospital. Hospitals introduced car-parking charges in order to manage the demand for car parking at each hospital. The income generated from these car-parking fees covers the cost of providing these services, such as the initial capital cost of purchasing or renting parking areas, the cost of developing extra parking spaces, the need to provide and upgrade security systems, provide staffing and general maintenance of these car parks

Hospitals currently charging car-parking fees are very aware of the financial implications of these parking costs for patients and their families, particularly for those with long-term and chronic illnesses. Consequently, some hospitals have introduced a maximum daily fixed parking charge and reduced rates and/or introduced concessions for patients with long-term and chronic illnesses inclusive of their families and visitors, for whom this payment of the full rate would cause hardship.

In relation to your request for '*Bon Secours Hospital, Cork. South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork*', please note you will need to submit this request to these organisations directly as publicly funded Section 38 and Section 39 organisations are separate entities for these purposes. The HSE does not hold governance over Section 38 and Section 39 organisations' management information. Such organisations are independent legal entities with their own Boards/Councils. Within both the Section 38 and Section 39 Service Arrangements regarding Roles and Responsibilities, under the Duties of the HSE, at Clause 3.1b (ii) the HSE contractually recognise this independence as follows: 'accept the independent identity and operational autonomy of the Provider in the provision of the Services under this Arrangement'.



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Yours sincerely

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