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Deputy Louise O'Reilly,
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
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RE: PQ 15441/19 – To ask the Minister for Health the value to each hospital of the car parking charges system in tabular form; the amount raised from car parking charges if the system is under the hospital control; and the amount made in payment from a private operator if the system is privatised.

PQ 15442/19 - To ask the Minister for Health the status of car parking charges systems in each hospital here which are run by the hospitals and private companies; the status of the contractual agreement with the private companies; and when these contacts lapse.

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

Parking charges were introduced to cover the costs of such services without impacting on the hospitals' budget for patient services. The majority of acute hospitals around the country charge for parking, with 9 acute hospitals providing free parking. The HSE does not have a single contract to provide parking services at all hospitals, instead each hospital has its own arrangements which reflect their particular circumstances.

In some areas, hospitals use a third party provider to manage their car parks although the car parks are still owned by the Hospital. 29 of the 47 Hospitals operate and manage the hospital car park themselves. Some may have a 3rd party to service machines, entry & exit barriers and security. 16 of the 47 Hospitals use an external 3rd party to manage the car parks. Approximately €22.5m was received in revenue from car parking charges in 2017. Details in relation to each hospital are outlined in the attached.

Details in relation to the status of the contractual agreements with the private companies and when these contacts lapse are commercially sensitive information and cannot be provided as requested.

I trust the above information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,


John Hennessy
National Director
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		Car Park Situation	Operated by	Income Generated in 2017
	IRELAND EAST HOSPITAL GROUP			
1.	Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€150,000
2.	Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,000,000
3.	Midland Regional Hospital Mullingar	Fee Paying	Hospital	€225,119
4.	National Maternity Hospital	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	€0
5.	Our Lady's Hospital - Navan	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€103,652
6.	Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	€25,293
7.	St. Columcille's Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€141,598
8.	St. Luke's Hospital Kilkenny	Fee Paying	Hospital	€425,379
9.	St. Michael's Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€135,437
10.	St. Vincent's University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€2,500,000
11.	Wexford General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€729,634
	DUBLIN MIDLANDS HOSPITAL GROUP			
12.	Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€139,671
13.	Midland Regional Hospital - Portlaoise	Fee Paying	Hospital	€317,430
14.	Midland Regional Hospital - Tullamore	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€375,762
15.	Naas General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€124,218
16.	St. James's Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€2,059,250
17.	St. Luke's Radiation Oncology Network	Free	N/A	€0
18.	Tallaght Hospital – Adults & Children	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,200,000
	RSCI HOSPITALS GROUP			
19.	Beaumont Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,251,433
20.	Cavan General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€240,302
21.	Connolly Hospital - Blanchardstown	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€545,000

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22.	Louth County Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€88,118
23.	Monaghan General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€41,358
24.	Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda	Fee Paying	Hospital	€618,055
25.	Rotunda Hospital	Fee Paying (limited)	Hospital	€122,000
	SOUTH/SOUTH WEST HOSPITAL GROUP			
26.	Bantry General Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
27.	Cork University Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€3,100,000
28.	Mallow General Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
29.	Mercy University Hospital Cork	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	€265,000
30.	South Infirmary/Victoria University Hospital Cork	Fee Paying	Hospital	€318,402
31.	South Tipperary General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€315,000
32.	University Hospital Kerry	Fee Paying	Hospital	€657,806
33.	University Hospital Waterford	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,186,984
	UL HOSPITALS GROUP			
34.	Croom Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
35.	Ennis Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
36.	Nenagh Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
37.	St John's Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
38.	University Hospital, Limerick	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,044,819
39.	University Maternity Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
	SAOLTA UNIVERSITY HEALTH CARE GROUP			
40.	Galway University Hospitals	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,449,902
41.	Letterkenny University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€100,000
42.	Mayo University Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€340,000
43.	Portiuncula University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€166,820

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44.	Roscommon University Hospital	Free	N/A	€0
45.	Sligo University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€468,000
	CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GROUP			
46.	Children's University Hospital Temple Street	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	€36,000
47.	Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€460,616
	National Children's Hospital at Tallaght Hospital (included with Adults)			€22,468,058