



24th February 2014

Mr. Ted McEnery,
Clerk to the Committee,
Committee of Public Accounts,
Leinster House,
Dublin 2.

Dear Ted,

I refer to my letter dated 14th February 2014, which included an update for the Public Accounts Committee on progress in respect of the Section 38 Agencies reaching compliance with public pay policy.

At that time our update to the Committee advised that five agencies remained non-compliant with Government pay policy and were formally advised that as a sanction arrangements were being made to reduce their cash funding by 20% with effect from 21st February 2014, until such time that they provided confirmation of their compliance with Section 7 (4) of the Health Sector Pay Policy and submit the necessary detailed business cases in respect of their organisations.

By way of update to the Committee I can now advise that all five Section 38 Agencies have since confirmed that they are in a process of compliance with Section 7 of the pay policy and as a result no Agency will receive the reduction in cash funding at this time. Attached is an updated version of the table previously provided to the Committee which shows that:

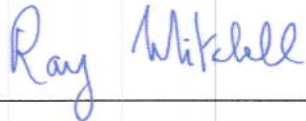
- 10 Agencies are considered compliant
- 31 Agencies have submitted a total of 126 business cases
- 1 Agency has yet to submit business cases (St Vincent's Healthcare Group)
- 1 Agency is engaged in a separate process (CRC)

St Vincent's Health Care has communicated that the Board intends to achieve full compliance with Public pay policy by the 31st March 2014. While awaiting confirmation of the steps St Vincent's Healthcare Group has taken to reach full compliance with the pay policy they have been advised that arrangements have been made to defer the implementation of the 20% cash reduction at this time.

Finally, it is anticipated that the Internal Review Panel will examine the business cases in the coming weeks working to a target date of 31st March 2014 to conclude the compliance process.

I trust this information will be helpful to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,



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Update on Section 38 Agencies compliance 24.2.2014

	In compliance	Have submitted business cases	Awaiting Business cases	Engaged in separate process
1.	Cheeverstown House	AMNCH (9)	St Vincent's University Healthcare Group	Central Remedial Clinic
2.	Cork University Dental School & Hospital	Beaumont Hospital (4)		
3.	Incorporated Orthopaedic Hospital, Clontarf	Brothers of Charity Clare (1)		
4.	KARE	Brothers of Charity Galway (1)		
5.	Mercy University Hospital, Cork	Brothers of Charity Limerick (1)		
6.	St. Johns Hospital Limerick	Brothers of Charity Roscommon (1)		
7.	St. Patrick's, Kilkenny	Brothers of Charity South (1)		
8.	St. Vincent's Hospital, Fairview	Brothers of Charity South East (6)		
9.	Sunbeam House Services	Cappagh (5)		
10.	The Children's Sunshine Home	Carriglea Services (1)		
11.		Children's University Hospital, Temple St. (8)		
12.		Coombe (2)		
13.		COPE Foundation (2)		
14.		Daughters of Charity (1)		
15.		Dublin Dental School & Hospital (2)		
16.		Leopardstown Park Hospital (2)		
17.		Mater (4)		
18.		Muirosa Foundation (1)		
19.		National Rehabilitation Hospital (3)		
20.		Our Lady's Hospice (8)		
21.		Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin (5)		
22.		Peamount (1)		
23.		Rotunda Hospital (8)		
24.		Royal Hospital Donnybrook (6)		
25.		Royal Victoria Eye & Ear Hospital (2)		
26.		South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork (1)		
27.		St. James's Hospital (9)		
28.		St. John of Gods (22)		
29.		St. Michael's House (5)		
30.		Stewarts Hospital (1)		
31.		The National Maternity Hospital, Holles St. (3)		
	Total: 10 Agencies	Total: 31 Agencies (126 business cases)*	Total 1 Agency	Total: 1 Agency

Note* Some business cases cover more than a single post.

Note 2. The Brothers of Charity National Office submitted a business case in respect of the Director of Services/Service Leader post which is common to each Brothers of Charity service. This business case has not been included in the above count. Including this business case brings the number up to 127 business cases.

