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Mr. James Lawless, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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PQ 24747/24 "To ask the Minister for Health to sanction pay increases to childcare employees (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter." **James Lawless, TD**

DETAILS SUPPLIED: Childvision Drumcondra Dublin 9

Dear Deputy Lawless,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

ChildVision is a section 39 funded agency within the catchment area of Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC). The organisation is the National Resource Centre for Children and Young People with Sight Loss, many of whom have profound disabilities. Services provided include education programmes, therapeutic intervention and residential services. The organisation is funded primarily by the HSE and the Department of Education and Skills. ChildVision staff include clinical therapists, teachers, nurses, braille specialists and social care workers.

In May 2024 Childvision received additional payments recommended by the Workplace Relations Commission (WRC); these payments were acknowledged by ChildVision as received.

I can confirm ChildVision received €137,153.90 on 10th May 2024. This payment related to CHO DNCC WRC payment covering period 2023 to April 2024.

€29,898.06 was the May monthly WRC payment (paid on 31st May 2024) from CHO DNCC and this will be paid monthly ongoing for the remainder of 2024.

€68,460 was the interim payment from CHO DNCC paid on 2nd February 2024.

I trust this information clarifies this matter for you

Yours sincerely,

Ms Olive Hanley Head of Service for Disability