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18 May 2020

Re: Decision to grant 024 020

Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your request dated 5 May 2020 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by the Health Information and Quality Authority. Your request sought:

Copies of any correspondence between Mary Dunnion, chief inspector of social services and director of regulation with the Health Information and Quality Authority, and Paul Reid, chief executive of the Health Service Executive, dated between February 1st, 2020 and May 1st, 2020 relating to the Covid-19 outbreak and nursing homes, residential care facilities and/or designated centres.

I, Bob Hennessy, have now made a final decision to grant your request on 18 May 2020. I consider release of the information in electronic format as an appropriate form of access in this case. Accordingly, the schedule of documents and a copy of the record is now attached.

Rights of appeal

If you are unhappy with this decision you may appeal it. Please note that a fee applies for an appeal, with the exception of an appeal against the imposition of a €30 fee. In the event that you need to make such an appeal,

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you can do so by e-mail to foi@hiqa.ie. Payment should be made by way of electronic transfer. Please contact the FOI Office for further details.

You should make your appeal within 4 weeks, from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays. However, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of the Authority.

Publication

All non-personal FOI requests will be recorded on an FOI disclosure log which will be published on the Authority's website in due course.

Yours sincerely,



Bob Hennessy
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