

Question on Notice

No. 170

Asked on 13 March 2025

MR P RUSSO ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON T NICHOLLS)—

QUESTION

With reference to the HHS Service Agreements and the December 2024 Deed of Amendments—

Will the Minister advise for each agreement (a) under Section 39(1) of the Hospital and Health Boards Act, did the chief executive or Service write to propose the amendments, (b) did the chief executive and Service agree on the terms of agreement, (c) if the answer to (b) is no, (i) which terms were not agreed on and (ii) which terms, if any, did the Minister decide upon that are now contained in the Service Agreement and were not agreed by the chief executive and Service?

ANSWER

- a) I am advised that on October 4, 2024, all Hospital and Health Services (HHSs) were provided a proposed list of variations to their service agreement, as submitted by the Department of Health for negotiation during Amendment Window 2 2024-25.
- b) I am advised that only terms agreed upon by the Department and the HHS were incorporated into the service agreement via the December 2024 Deed of Amendment, which was formalised by the signing of the deeds of amendment by both parties.
- c) N/A.