



6th July 2017

Mr Billy Kelleher TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

PQ 29365/17: "To ask the Minister for Health the estimated capital cost of providing an additional emergency ambulance; and estimated the full year costs of additional personnel required for its staffing."

Dear Deputy Kelleher,

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

The National Ambulance Service can confirm that the capital (purchase) cost of a fully equipped emergency ambulance is €220,000.

The costs per annum for staffing **one** emergency ambulance are calculated as follows:

- 11.6 WTEs are required to operate an emergency ambulance on a 24/7 basis,
- and includes a 30% locum relief factor.

The tables below outline the cost per annum for Advanced Paramedic and Paramedic crewing and the actual costs are determined by the mix of Advanced Paramedic/Paramedic operating in a particular location.

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Advanced Paramedic Costs – One Emergency Ambulance 24/7 Per Annum:

Number of Staff (WTE) per Emergency Ambulance – Advanced	Day	Non- Pay Overheads (Uniform, PPE, Radios,	Vehicle Overheads (Fuel,	Total Cost
Paramedic	Pay	Equipment etc)	Maintenance)	Total Cost
11.6	846,595	105,560	27,840	979,995

Paramedic Costs - One Emergency Ambulance 24/7 Per Annum:

Number of				
Staff (WTE)		Non- Pay		
per		Overheads	Vehicle	
Emergency		(Uniform, PPE,	Overheads	
Ambulance -		Radios,	(Fuel,	
Paramedic	Pay	Equipment etc)	Maintenance)	Total Cost
11.6	670,595	82,360	27,840	780,795

I trust this information is of assistance to you and should you require further information please contact me

Yours sincerely,

Oliver Reilly

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