

**From:** Fiona Kenny  
**To:** [Phelim Quinn](#); [Eithne McCann](#)  
**Cc:** [Tadhg Daly](#)  
**Subject:** Correspondence from Tadhg Daly  
**Date:** Monday 20 April 2020 14:14:00  
**Attachments:** [20 April 2020 LT Mr Phelim Quinn re COVID19 HIQA Fees.pdf](#)

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Dear Phelim,

Please see attached correspondence from Tadhg Daly, NHI for your attention.

Kind regards,

Fiona Kenny

EA to the CEO

Ph: [REDACTED]

**Mr Phelim Quinn  
CEO,  
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**Re; Annual Fees**

**20<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

Dear Phelim,

In the first instance I hope that you, your family and all in the Authority are safe and well.

It has been brought to my attention by my Scottish counterpart that the Scottish Government and Care Inspectorate has agreed to defer the requirement for Long Term Residential Care Settings to pay the Care Inspectorate fees for a period of three months due to the COVID19 crisis. This deferral of fees is intended to support care service providers at this difficult time.

As our sector here in Ireland is facing the same pressures and challenges presented by COVID19, we are requesting that HIQA defer the payment of the annual fee for a similar period to support the sector as we protect our most vulnerable citizens. Also like the Care Inspectorate, HIQA have deferred statutory inspections and so the fee deferral should be follow suit.

We request that the Authority defer the payment due on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 with a three-month deferment of the annual fee due as the COVID-19 crisis continues with a commitment to review the position again in July 2020. It is vital we work in a collaborative way in order to address this unprecedented challenge for our health services and wider society.

We remain committed to working with you and your colleagues in the Authority during this extremely challenging time for our country.

**Yours sincerely,**



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**Tadhg Daly,  
Chief Executive Officer**

**cc Mary Dunnion, Chief Inspector of Social Services**

**cc Dr Dr Kathleen Mac Lellan, Assistant Secretary, Social Care Division, Department of Health**