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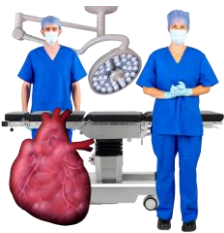
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Update

Please see our other easy read information if you want to know more about the Inquiry.

Hearings Update



We will hear evidence later than planned because the Inquiry **Chair** needs a heart operation.

The Inquiry Chair runs the Inquiry.

Hearings are meetings where we listen to evidence.

Evidence is anything that you see, experience, read, or are told that helps us find out what happened.

The Chair's heart operation must happen next week.

The Chair will keep making Inquiry decisions and orders while he gets better.

This will take about 6 weeks after his operation.

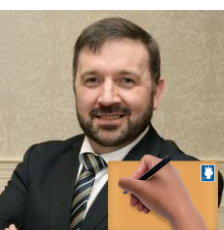
The Inquiry team will keep working during this time.

Deadlines for **witness statements** and information have not changed.

Witness statements say what you say happened and what you saw. What you say is written down and you sign it.

The Chair is sorry we are hearing evidence later than planned.

The Health Minister has been told about this.





The timetable for hearing evidence will now change.



We will finish hearing evidence this week.



We will start hearing evidence again on the week beginning 6 May 2024 and the first hearing will be on Tuesday 7 May 2024. This is likely to be staff evidence.



We will start hearing evidence from organisations by the end of June.



We will hear the rest of the evidence from organisations in September and October.