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Deputy Stephen Donnelly,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**PQ 50214/19**

"To ask the Minister for Health if all blood samples taken Children's Health Ireland at Connolly Hospital are transferred elsewhere for analysis".

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

I refer to your parliamentary question above to which I have been asked to provide a response.

All blood samples are directed to the Laboratory in CHI at Temple Street for analysis . There is a tracking system in place for all samples sent from CHI at Connolly to CHI at Temple street .The CHI at Temple Street Laboratory will analyse the majority of samples coming from CHI at Connolly.

As with all Hospital Laboratories, tests not included in the test repertoire of CHI at Temple Street are sent to other specialist laboratories for testing. Results of these tests are returned centrally to be coordinated and communicated by the Laboratory team in Temple Street.

Yours sincerely,

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