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

PQ 523831/9

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of acute beds for paediatric oncology; the number that will be available when the national children's hospital is open; and if he will make a statement on the matter".

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

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

The New Children's Hospital will be the national paediatric oncology centre. St James's Hospital has the largest adult cancer facility in Ireland and there is already a national radiotherapy centre on the campus which can facilitate easy access for a small number of children and young people that require radiation for their cancer treatment. Young adult survivors of cancer will transition to the cancer survivorship clinical programmes at St. James's Hospital.

The current inpatient bed complement for haematology/oncology is 19 beds with 13 day care beds. The New Children's Hospital will have 473 beds (380 In-patient and 93 day care). Single rooms with ensuite and family area.

The number planned for Haematology/Oncology is 34:

18 beds Malignant Oncology/Hematology;

4 Adolescent beds;

6 beds for Non-malignant Haematology;

6 beds Bone Marrow Transplant Unit.

There are 22 day care beds for Haematology/Oncology.

Yours sincerely,

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