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"To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for direct referral for oncology patients to the oncology ward to be implemented in Cork University Hospital"

Dear Deputy O'Laoghaire

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

At present oncology patients receiving anti-cancer treatment who require hospital admission are listed for direct admission to the oncology ward with a target to have them admitted within 48 hours.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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