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"To ask the Minister for Health his plans for the opening of a HIV clinic in Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Barry

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.

There is a very large HIV clinic operating out of CUH currently and this has been operating and expanding since the late 1990's. There are plans for a new clinic to prevent high-risk HIV negative people from acquiring HIV – a Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) clinic.

The hospital is in the process of coordinating the logistics and hiring the relevant additional staff for this clinic and hopes to start to roll out the clinic in November 2019.

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.

Interim Chief Executive Officer