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“To ask the Minister for Health the reason the bone density department at Cork University Hospital is a private unit; and the reason public patients are being directed towards this private clinic and have to pay for care instead of through the public system.”

Dear Deputy O'Reilly

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.

The outcome of the Open Competition undertaken by HBS Procurement for the provision of Bone Densitometry scans for Cork University Hospital, Cork University Maternity Hospital and Cork Kerry Community Healthcare resulted in the award of this contract to Global Diagnostics for an initial 3 year term.

This service is provided at Blackrock Hall Primary Care Centre. There is no charge for public patients.

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

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Gerard O'Callaghan
Interim Chief Executive Officer