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To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the HSE Genetics and Genomics Programme - Róisín Shortall.

Dear Deputy

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.

Response:

The National Genetics and Genomic Medicine Network (NGGMN) is being established within the HSE. The Director of the NGGMN will provide clinical leadership and expertise to the Network and will have a significant role in the design of the network, its operating model, guidelines and future development plans.

The Director for the National Genetic and Genomic Medicine Network (NGGMN) is a joint academic appointment with UCD and TCD with UCD leading on the recruitment process. The recruitment process had paused as a result of the COVID pandemic and is now being progressed by UCD.

Equally the recruitment of the National Clinical Laboratory Director NGGMN was delayed due to COVID and is now progressing to advertisement in the coming weeks.

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely

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