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Mr Matt Shanahan TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 5928 - To ask the Minister for Health when the subcontracted Modular Cath Lab service provided by a company (In Health UK) for diagnostic angiograms will recommence activity at University Hospital Waterford in view of the fact it has been closed since early February 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Shanahan

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.

I can confirm that there is no plan at the present time to resume a service in a Modular Catheterisation Laboratory at UHW. The Cardiac Catheterisation Laboratory in UPMC Whitfield is available for use over 7 days and currently has available capacity.

Given the current Covid 19 pandemic, all services have reduced in order to minimise footfall in the hospital and protect our patients and staff.

University Hospital Waterford is currently working on a Recovery Plan which will include all services. The Cardiac Catheterisation Service will be included in the Recovery Plan, in the meantime normal service continues at UPMC.

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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