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“To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide x-ray or dexa services in the new HSE centre in Bandon, County Cork.”

Dear Deputy Cairns,

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.

Cork Kerry Community Healthcare supports the development of Primary Care Centres throughout the region. These centres provide a range of front line services including general practitioners, public health and community nursing, community medical doctors, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, dietetics and counselling in primary care.

Currently there are no plans to develop or deliver x-ray and dexa scan services at Bandon Primary Care Centre. Provision of these scans require specialist equipment and staff with a particular skill set. GP referrals for plain x-ray can be sent to the Mercy University Hospital in Cork or Bantry General Hospital. GP referrals for Dexa scans should be sent to the service providers in Cork City.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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