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Ms. Niamh Smyth T.D,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 20719/22 *“To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will look into providing a dedicated dietician in the oncology day unit in Cavan General Hospital given the importance of diet with recovery; if he will ask the RCSI group if it plans to explore this role with a view to putting funding aside for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”*

Dear Deputy Smyth,

The RCSI Hospital Group 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

I can confirm that Cavan and Monaghan Hospitals currently employ 8.03 WTE dieticians, an increase of 2.42 WTE since 2020. Dieticians employed cover multiple services across the hospital sites.

We trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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