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“To ask the Minister for Health when the rheumatology clinic at Cork University Hospital will be opened; when the patient triage will be resuming for categorizing soon, urgent and routine patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Dear Deputy Collins

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 Rheumatology Service did experience some difficulties relating to COVID and capacity issues for a time last year. This is now rectified and all outpatient referrals are triaged and managed by the service as normal.

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

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Gerard O'Callaghan
Interim Chief Executive Officer