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PQ 35628/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of delivering additional capacity to provide an additional 10,000 x-ray scans in the public system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

PQ 35629/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of delivering additional capacity to provide an additional 10,000 computerised tomography scans in the public system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

PQ 35630/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of delivering additional capacity to provide an additional 10,000 MRI scans in the public system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

PQ 35631/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of delivering additional capacity to provide an additional 10,000 DEXA scans in the public system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I am advised by HSE Finance that the information you request is not available.

However, in order to assist, we engaged with the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital which undertook an exercise in 2017 looking at radiology costs. They have provided the following indicative information based on that exercise updated for 2022 prices. I am advised that there are a large variety of procedures for each type of X-Ray and they range from the straightforward to very complex.

Mater Hospital - Radiology Costs 2022

X-Ray Type	Standard	Complex	
General X-Ray	€79.00		
CT Scan	€130.00	€351.00	(Complex CT = Guided Biopsy or Guided Ablation)
Ultrasound	€79.00	€280.00	(Complex US = Guided Aspiration of Knee or Guided Biopsy of Thyroid)
Bone Scan - DEXA	€118.00	€219.00	
Mammogram	€118.00		
MRI (MRA) Brain	€118.00	€351.00	(Complex MRI = Guided Core Biopsy Breast)

Note Variation depending on complexity of procedure
Note: Data from PLC updated with 2022 prices



I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Carol Ivory'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long tail on the 'y'.

Carol Ivory

General Manager, Acute Operations