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3rd October 2022

Deputy Pa Daly,
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare St, Dublin 2

PQ Number: 46707/22

Dear Deputy Daly,

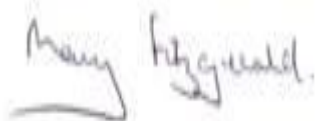
The Health Service Executive (HSE) – South (Cork & Kerry) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this office for response.

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that haematology patients are often required to travel daily for prolonged periods of time, two hours each way, from parts of north and west Kerry to Cork, in order to receive essential chemotherapy treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Pa Daly

Haematology service in UHK is still in development stage. In order to deliver this service safely, it is essential that all suitably qualified staff are in post and recruitment is on-going with regard to same. Every effort will be made to ensure that patients will be seen once the appropriate facilities are in place.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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