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REF: PQ 5068/23

RE: To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a rodent infestation in University Hospital Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Peadar Tóibín

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above.

In response to your query, there is no evidence of a rodent infestation at University Hospital Galway.

We have a contracted pest control company who monitor rodent, vermin and pest activity at the hospital. Corrective actions are taken when there is any evidence of rodent activity. In addition, the hospital has a close working relationship with our HSE colleagues in Environmental Health in respect of pest control.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Kane
General Manager
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