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PQ 6284/23: To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1396 of 14 June 2022, if Cork will be considered as a location for the provision of gallium scans as currently the only scans available are in the Dublin region and waiting lists are significant; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

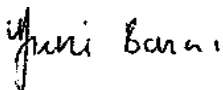
Dear Deputy O'Sullivan

The National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) supports the use of PSMA scans in certain prostate cancer patient cohorts as outlined in the National Clinical Guideline: Diagnosis and Staging of Patients with Prostate Cancer 2022.

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/5/cancer/profinfo/guidelines/prostate/updated-diagnosis-and-staging-of-prostate-cancer-guideline.pdf>

NCCP is working with the Acute Hospitals Division on the implementation of the guideline recommendations, the provision of PSMA for the identified cohorts of patients and clarification of the funding stream for this radiological investigation.

Yours sincerely,



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