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Deputy Paul Murphy

Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

Dublin 2

PQ 33607/23 - To ask the Minister for Health what actions the HSE is taking to prevent the spread of Covid in hospital settings, including details of all precautions taken and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Murphy

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.

The prevention and control of hospital acquired infection is a priority of the HSE and guidance on the management of hospital acquired infection is regularly reviewed and updated. The most recent guidance can be found within “Acute Hospital Infection Prevention and Control Precautions for Possible or Confirmed COVID-19 in a Pandemic Setting” V2.19 17.07.2023

To be of assistance I have provided the link to the guidance document below.

<https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/guidance/guidanceforhealthcareworkers/acutehospitalguidance/InfectionPreventionandControlPrecautionsforAcuteSettings.pdf>

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

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