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***PQ 12761/23 - To ask the Minister for Health the total amount paid to the private healthcare sector to provide radiation therapy to cancer patients from the public health system, via the National Treatment Purchase Fund or other payment mechanisms; and if he will make a statement on the matter.***

Dear Deputy Shortall,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

Having reviewed this matter and having engaged with colleagues at national, regional and local level, regrettably this information is not readily available in a standardised or comparable format.

The shortcomings in the HSE legacy systems are well acknowledged and their replacement by a single standard financial system for the Health Sector is at the core of the Finance Reform programme initiated by the Department of Health.

We regret being unable to assist in responding to this question, for the above reasons.

Yours sincerely,

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