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Mr Sean Canney, TD
St David's
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RE: PQ15972/23

"To ask the Minister for Health when he expects the x-ray facility to be installed in the Primary Care Centre in Tuam, County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Canney

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Tuam Diagnostic Service is being developed in conjunction with Portiuncula University Hospital Ballinasloe, the Saolta Group, Primary Care Services Community Healthcare West and HSE Capital & Estates.

X-Ray Service

The works are expected to commence mid Q2 2023 and are expected to be completed by end of Q4 2023.

Ultrasound Service

Since January 2023 the Ultrasound service was increased to a five day week service. GP in surrounding PCT areas can refer directly for Ultrasound service. This is a universal service available for all patients.

Investment

National Primary Care has invested in staff, equipment and capital funding for the development of a Diagnostic Unit in Tuam PCC. Currently Ultrasound is delivered by two Ultra Sonographer, a healthcare assistant and the service has admin support. A CS Radiographer has been recruited for the delivery of X-Ray.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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