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To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in University Hospital Cork, by the type of machine, when it was first used in the hospital, any gaps in service for any machine between the following dates 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form.

## **Dear Deputy Kelly**

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.

| Radiotherapy<br>Machine | Туре                            | Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> use | Gaps in Service      | Reason for gap           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| LA1                     | Linear Accelerator              | 27/11/19                    | 14/5/21-30/5/21      | Cyber-Attack             |
| LA2                     | Linear Accelerator              | 11/12/19                    | 14/5/21-30/5/21      | Cyber-Attack             |
| LA3                     | Linear Accelerator              | 1/10/20                     | 14/5/21-30/5/21      | Cyber-Attack             |
| LA4                     | Linear Accelerator              | 27/02/20                    | 14/5/21-30/5/21      | Cyber-Attack             |
| LA5                     | Linear Accelerator              | 26/5/20                     | 14/5/21-30/5/21      | Cyber-Attack             |
| Flexitron               | Brachytherapy/High<br>Dose Rate | 17/8/17                     | 3/2/220-22/2/20      | Transfer to the Glandore |
|                         |                                 |                             | 14/5/21-24/5/21      | Cyber-Attack             |
| Superficial             | Low energy X-Rays               | May 2016                    | 2/11/20-<br>23/11/20 | Transfer to the Glandore |

Yours sincerely

Mr. David Donegan Chief Executive Officer