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RE: To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in Galway University Hospital, 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. - Alan Kelly

Dear Deputy Kelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above.

In response to your query, please refer to the table below.

Vendor	Date of commencement	Gaps in Service
	of use	
Siemens	Q1 2005	Decommissioned Q2, 2023
Siemens	Q1 2005	Decommissioned Q2, 2023
Siemens	Q1 2005	Decommissioning planned for Q4, 2023
Elekta	April 2023	
Elekta	April 2023	
Elekta	August 2023	
Elekta	Commissioning in progress	Planned to go live Q4 2023
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There has been no gaps in service. We have maintained a minimum of 3 treatment units working at all times and will progress to 4 units by the end of this year.

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Please note the data provided was compiled at the time of this request. This response was delayed as per Forsa Industrial Action.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Kane

General Manager

**Galway University Hospitals**