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Deputy Jackie Cahill
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
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PQ 12430/24 – To ask the Minister for Health if a patient transport service is available to patients in north and south Tipperary who are receiving radium treatment in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

- Deputy Jackie Cahill

Dear Deputy Cahill,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

While there is no statutory requirement for the HSE to provide non-emergency patient transport, the HSE may provide transport (subject to available resources) for patients on a discretionary basis. This is confined to circumstances where the HSE is satisfied that the patient's medical condition warrants the making of arrangements for transport and is satisfied that that person is not in a position to make or fund his or her own transport arrangements.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

David Walsh
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