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Deputy O'Callaghan Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

11th April 2025

RE: PQ ref 15765/25 - ED Pathway Prioritisation - Beaumont Hospital

Dear Deputy O'Donoghue,

Reference your recent Parliamentary Query for the Minister for Health.

"To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware that terminal cancer patients are being deprioritised for life-saving and urgent treatment in accident and emergency in favour of flu patients, given the critical nature of their condition and the urgency of their care needs; if she will commit to a review of this; and if she will make a statement on the matter".

Please be advised that patients who attend the Emergency Department Beaumont Hospital receive prioritised evaluation and treatment based on a triage system.

A patient's triage score is determined by an experienced triage nurse. Patients are assessed and assigned a triage category as follows:

Triage 1: Immediate Resuscitation

Triage 2: Emergency Triage 3: Urgent Triage 4: Semi-urgent

This system ensures that treatment is delivered to patients based on urgency

If I can provide any further information, please let me know.

Kind regards,

Ms Anne Coyle

Chief Executive Officer/ Príomhoifigeach Feidhmiúcháin

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