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PQ 5838/25 To ask the Minister for Health to provide a list of the 44 hospital-controlled car parks that provide patient parking; a list of those that provide concessions with details of such; a list of those that provide free parking; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Marie Sherlock

Dear Deputy Sherlock,

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.

Access and Integration recently communicated with Health Regions nationwide to compile information on car parking facilities at acute hospital settings. The most recent position is July 2024.

The attached survey results on car parking facilities at acute hospital settings include details of:

- sites providing patient and visitor parking
- charges and concessions available for parking, and
- parking facilities contracted by a third party by service level arrangement.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours Sincerely,

Nessa Lynch General Manager Access and Integration

| Car Parking Facilities - Acute Hospital Sites | | | | |
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| Acute sites, by REO/HG | Are there car parking facilities for patients and visitors attending your hospital? | Updated July 2024 What is the daily charge for parking? If there is a maximum capped amount, what is this amount? | Are there concessions available for patient / visitors, please provide details | If your hospital parking facilities are contracted by a third party by service level arrangement, please provide details of the provider |
| HSE Dublin and South East/IEHG | | | | |
| | | Front Car Park (off George's Street) - free parking. Side Card Park (off George's Street) - €2 (no time limit). Back Car Park off Crofton Road (Annex Car Park) - €1 per hour or a | Patients attending Cardiac Rehab/Pulmonary Rehab etc get free | |
| St. Michael's Hospital | Yes | maximum 24hr charge of €10. | parking or patients with a blue badge. | N/A |
| Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital | No | No | N/A | No |
| National Rehabilitation Hospital | Yes | No charge | N/A | No |
| Tipperary University Hospital | Yes | Free up to 20 minutes €4 up to 3 hours €6 for 3 to 4 hours €8 for 5 hours to 1 day Two days: €10 Five days: €20 Fifteen days: €35 | Free concession for all Oncology patients (adults & Paediatrics) & in special circumstances for patients attending Paediatric Dayward Unit on a recurring basis | Owner operated but with a maintenance contract with Blue Wall Technologies for service and maintenance of carpark entry/exit barriers and pay stations. |
| | Vo | €4 | Yes. The following patients and family members can avail of free parking Oncology Patients, Paediatric oncology family members, Special Care Baby Unit family members End of Life family members Patients attending Cardiac Diagnostics | N/A |
| St. Lukes Hospital Kilkenny | Yes | €4 maximum capped amount | Yes . Visitors and patients can avail of | N/A |
| | | Max charge per day is €8 €6 for 3-4 hours Minimum charge to park is €4 | concession tickets: €10 for 2 days €20 for 5 days €35 for 15 days | N/A |
| University Hospital Waterford | Yes | | | N/A |
| National Maternity Hospital | The NMH has no parking facilities for patients or visitors | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Worked County Unarity | V- | <20 minutes, parking is free, >20mins and <3 hrs, is a charge of €4 3-4 hours is a charge of €6 4 + hours is a charge of €8 | • 2 day pass – costs €10, allows in and out access for 48 hours once validated • 5 day pass – costs €20, allows in and out access for 5 days once validated • 15 day pass – costs €35, allows in and out access for 15 days once validated Concessions are given to the parents of any baby in the special care baby unit and close family members of any patient in end of life care. | |
| Wexford General Hospital | Yes | First 20 minutes for | | N/A |
| St. Vincent's University Hospital | Yes | First 20 minutes free €2.50 per hour to a max of €14 per day. | Yes, Oncology patients - 50% concession Dialysis patients - free | Current contractor - Apcoa |
| St. Collumcille's | Yes | €1 up to 30 minutes €2 per hour €8 per day €20 per week | Currently no reduced parking charges for patients/visitors. | Park Magic |
| Jilailionio o | Yes | No charge for parking | N/A | N/A |

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| HSE Dublin and North East/RCSI | | | | |
| Beaumont | Yes | €2.40 per hour/ capped €9 daily rate | Upon Review | Q-Park |
| Cappagh | Yes – Main car park to the left within the entrance through the barrier. Other car parks are for staff only. | €2 per hr with a max charge of €10 per day. | | Parking Facilities are managed by NOHC Facilities Team. The Pay Station is maintained under SLA with Electro Automation. |
| Connolly | Yes | €2:20 hourly rate or €4:00 for 4 hours €10:00 daily cap | Free parking for Cancer patients | Upon Review |
| Rotunda | Yes but access is only after 4.30pm in evening and at weekends | €8 and capped at €8 regardless of time | Not on site but we do have an arrangement with Park Rite Parnell Street for discounted parking for patients | Upon Review |
| Our Lady of Lourdes | | €2 per hour, Capped at a maximum of €10 a day | Yes – Discretionary reduced parking available via ward managers for some categories of visitors / patients i.e End of Life | Upon Review |
| Navan Hospital | | €1 – 1 hour €4 – 5 hours €8 – 12 hours €10 for 24 hours | Upon Review | Car Park Managed by APCOA |
| Navan nospitai | les | | For palliative patients or long stay | ů , |
| Cavan | Yes | 3 euro max for the day | patients – free parking. | Upon Review |
| Mater | MMUH hospital has 2 surface car parking spaces that it offers to relatives of patients nearing end of life | Upon Review | Upon Review | N/A. There is an underground car park on the MMUH campus for all patients and visitors but it is not owned or operated by MMUH. All queries for the underground car park must be directed to Louise Phillips of Eccles Street Car Park Limited. |

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| HSE Midwest/ULHG | | | | | |
| Ennis | Free parking | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| Croom | Free parking | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| Nenagh | Free parking | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| UMHL | Free parking | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| University Hospital Limerick | Yes | Currently UHL is the sole hospital with managed car parking at a cap of €10 per day. There are signs displaying the charges on the UHL site. | | The current provider is Euro carparks however the successful tender at recent Etenders procurement is APOCA who are due to be awarded their contract in the coming days. | |
| St. John's Hospital | Yes car parking is available on the hospital grounds in the main car park. | No charge at present however currently under review. | N/A | N/A | |

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| | | Car park charges: First 20 minutes of car parking is free 0 - 1 hour: €2.50 1 - 2 hours: €5 2 - 3 hours: €7.50 3 - 4 hours: €10 (Maximum day rate up to 24hrs) Flexible day pass/multiple entries & exits in one day €12.50 Entry pass x six within a three month period: €25 | See Question 2 | Tallaght University Hospital provides car parking facilities for use by patients and visitors in its multi-storey car park (500 car spaces). The car park service is operated by Park Rite on behalf of the Hospital. A monthly fee is charged to the Hospital for this service. | |
| St. James's Hospital | | Parking costs: 0 - 10 minutes free 0 - 1 hour €2.50 1 - 2 hours €5.00 2 - 3 hours €7.50 3 - 4 hours €10.00 4 - 5 hours €12.50 5 - 6 hours €15.00 6 - 24 hours €15.00 | Yes Sample of Concessions issued – 2024 June – 1442 May – 1318 April - 1158 March - 1376 Feb – 1357 Jan - 1691 | ParkRite are appointed under contract as Car Park Management Services only | |
| Regional Hospital Mullingar | Yes | 0-30mims Free 30-60mins €2.00 1hr-6hrs €3.00 6hrs-12hrs €4.00 12hrs-24hrs €6.50 | Free parking is provided to the family of paediatric patients with cancer, life limiting conditions and disability. Patients who attend the cardiac rehabilitation programme are not charged for parking. Families of patients who are receiving end of life care can obtain concessions in a weekly parking ticket at a reduced price of €12, a reduction of €30 on regular parking fees. | 1. The Hospital Car Park facilities such as entry/exit barriers & pay stations are managed / serviced by Bluewall. 2. The CCTV cameras in the car parks are managed and serviced by G4S. 3. The car par itself is patrolled 24 hours a day by SAR/MCR - our Hospital Security Service Provider | |
| Mindland Regional Hospital Portlaoise | | €6.00 per day is the maximum daily charge €4.00 for 6-12 hours Less for shorter stays | Yes on compassionate grounds | The hospital provides the parking facilities | |
| St. Luke's Radiation Oncology | | , | · v | | |
| | Yes. Parking available for | 21/2 | A.//A | | |
| Rathgar | patients & visitors at no cost. | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore | Yes | €5 up to 8 hours Max €10 thereafter | Yes Concessions provided for Oncology patients & on compassionate grounds | N/A | |
| The Coombe Hospital | Yes | • €2.50 for the first 4 hours • €5.00 per additional hour • Subject to a cap of €10.00 per day | Yes • Delivery Suite / Assessment Unit Parking Concession = Maximum charge of €7.50 on first day for partner • Free parking for parents of newborns in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit • Concession vouchers available from the Clinical Ward Manager for long stay patients. | N/A | |
| | Yes | €1.20 per hour, capped at 3 hours | We do not charge for disabled, oncology, haematology or age friendly spots | N/A - run by NGH | |

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| HSE West North West/Saolta | | | | | |
| | Yes, There are 4 fee paying car parks at University Hospital Galway. There is also one car park that is in use by both staff and patients | Up to 20 minutes - FREE 20 minutes-1 hour - €2 | Yes. There is currently a discounted car parking rate of €4 per day for the duration of the inpatient stay of a baby who is in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). | | |
| | at the side entrance of the Hospital and there are free car pack spaces located at various areas around UHG. Spaces are also available which are designated for wheelchair users/disability | 1-2 hours - €4 2-3 hours - €6 3-4 hours - €8 Max. Daily Charge - €9 24 Hour Multi-entry - €10 7 Day Multi-entry - €30 | A reduced parking fee for patients attending for treatment in the Radiation Oncology Building will be applied in the near future as soon as the car park in that area is fully operational. This will be €5 per week. A 7 day multi entry ticket is available | | |
| Galway University Hospital | permit holders. | Merlin Park University Hospital - FREE | | Q-Park Limited | |
| | | 0-3 hrs - €2 Over 3hrs, €1 per hr in addition Daily charge - €5 | Yes, There are concessions available for patients attending oncology and dialysis treatments and for frequent paediatric attendees through arrangement with the nursing staff and | | |
| Mayo University Hospital | Yes | Weekly ticket - €15 | security. | None | |
| Rastiunaulo University Hoosity | Von | | Yes, The hospital provides wheelchair accessible parking spaces and designated spaces for patients attending Oncology and the Warfarin Clinic all of which are Free Of Charge. There are exceptions such as long stay patients, parents of paediatrics patients and relatives of patients at the end of life care. Compassionate grounds and social circumstances are also considered and all our Nurse Managers on the wards are aware that parking permits can be issued on a case by case basis. | None | |
| Portiuncula University Hospital | Yes | Daily charge - €8 | | None | |
| | | | No, There is set down available near the hospital in order to facilitate drop off/pick up. Off-site public parking is available | | |
| Roscommon University Hospital | Yes | None | nearby. | None | |
| Sligo University Hospital | Yes | | No, There are no set concessions in place, however, in exceptional circumstances, this can be sought by management discretion. This is a case by case basis, as situation arises | Euro Car Parks | |
| | | Up to 4 hrs - €3, Up to 24 hours - €6 | Yes, All patients availing of services in Oncology are Free Of Charge, Family member visiting ICU Free Of Charge, Family members in Paediatrics pay €6 for first 24 hours | | |
| Letterkenny University Hospital | Yes | 7-day ticket - €15 | and thereafter Free Of Charge | Euro Car Parks | |

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| HSE South West/SSWHG | | | | |
| Cork University Hospital | | €2.70 per hour up to €15 max; €10 max for patients | Full price Weekly pass is €35 Long term weekly (after 2 weeks) €25 3 day pass is €25 24 hour pass is €10 Chemotherapy day unit ticket is €5 daily Radiotherapy ticket is €5 for a week Paediatric day unit is €5 daily | N/A |
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| University Hospital Kerry | | Maximum daily charge of €10 as per HSE guidelines, hourly rate €3 for first hour, €5 for 2 hours, €8 for 3 hours and €10 thereafter. Weekly pass available @ €35 | have free parking. | Managing Director: John Foy |
| Bantry General Hospital | Yes | No charge | N/A | N/A |
| Mallow General Hospital | | No charge | N/A | N/A |
| Cork University Maternity Hospital | | €2.70 per hour, capped at €15 per day. | Concessions made on a case-by-case basis for parents of long-term Neonatal Unit babies. | N/A |
| South Infirmary Victoria University | | | | |
| Hospital | Yes | Max daily charge €10 | Yes on a discretionary basis | No – managed in house |
| Mercy University Hospital | No. MUH is a city centre hospital and does not provide any patient parking facilities. | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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| Children's Health Ireland | | | | | | |
| CHI at Crumlin | Parking is limited at CHI at Crumlin and is in high demand. | €2.40 up to 2 hrs €6.00 for 2 to 3 hrs €7.50 for 3 to 4 hrs €8.50 for 4 to 5 hrs €10 for 5 to 24 hrs | Concession rates are available. The parents/guardians of inpatients who stay more than 10 days at a time, qualify for a reduced car park rate. The rate is €36 for the first week and €10 per week thereafter. | Noonan Security provide resources to manage access control, and do not provide a fully managed car park service to Crumlin on behalf of CHI at Crumlin. No other CHI site has carpark outsource arrangements in place. | | |
| | There is no dedicated parking facilities for parents/guardians. There is on-street parking provided by Dublin City Council (DCC). The hospital has an arrangement with Q-Park the Spire, Marlborough Street. Parents/guardians using this facility can have their tickets validated at CHI at Temple Street, the maximum cost per day is €7. | See question 1 | See question 1 | N/A | | |
| · | The CHI at Connolly site is a shared service with Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown. This carpark is managed by the adult hospital and is not under the governance of CHI. Connolly Hospital and CHI work together in the provision of public facilities for car parking. Parking is a shared service with Tallaght University | See question 1 | See question 1 | N/A | | |
| CHI at Tallaght | Hospital. The carpark is managed by the adult hospital. CHI do not control parent/guardian parking at this site. | See question 1 | See question 1 | N/A | | |

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| Number of Sites providing free parking to all | charge of 10 euro (Including sites | Number of hospitals with a max daily charge of 10 euro (Excluding sites with free parking) | |
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Free Parking: Kilkreene Hospital, Ennis, Croom, Nenagh, UMHL, St. John's Hospital (under review), Bantry, Mallow, Roscommon University Hospital, National Rehabilitation Hospital, Merlin Park.

Max daily charge of €10: St. Michael's Hospital, Wexdord General Hospital, Tipperary University Hospital, St. Lukes Hospital Kilkenny, Sligo University Hospital, Letterkenny University Hospital, University Hospital Waterford, St. Columcille's, Beaumont, Cappagh, Connolly, Rotunda, Portiuncula University Hospital, Our Lady of Lourdes, Navan, Cavan, Mayo University Hospital, Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore, The Coombe Hospital, Galway University Hospital, University Hospital Kerry, South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Nasa General Hospital