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Deputy Cullinane
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Cullinane

PQ : 37948/25

To ask the Minister for Health if her Department will fund a PET scanner for Letterkenny; and whether there is any service agreement with Altnagelvin for such services to avoid patients travelling long distances to Dublin or Galway. -David Cullinane

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Altnagelvin Hospital does not have a PET scanner, as far as I am aware the only PET scanner in the North of Ireland is located in the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast, Pet scanners require a radionuclide injection and are usually adjacent to a Nuclear Medicine Department. PET scanning is a highly specialized imaging modality.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

**Seán Murphy
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