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Mr. Peadar Toibin T.D.
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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Parliamentary Question 45213/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the nature of the arrangement between Navan Hospital Alliance for the MRI scanner in the hospital; if there are a certain number of scans available to the HSE weekly under the GP access to community diagnostics; if there is an agreement for each MRI to be paid for by the HSE, if for medical card holders; if so, the average price per scan paid; her views on the arrangement agreed; and the full details of any costs to the State that were or are being incurred.”*

Parliamentary Question 45214/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health if there are any public staff working the MRI unit or machine in Navan Hospital.”*

Parliamentary Question 45215/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health if the liability of the MRI unit in Navan Hospital is covered by Navan Hospital Alliance or by the State under the umbrella insurance of Navan Hospital.”*

Re: Parliamentary Question 45212/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the total funding given by the HSE/State towards the MRI unit in Navan Hospital.”*

Parliamentary Question 45216/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the total number of medical card patients scanned in Navan Hospital MRI unit in 2024.”*

Parliamentary Question 45217/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 304 of 11 June 2025, the full list of MRI scans available to medical card holders within the Navan Hospital MRI unit; the breakdown of the number of scans performed in 2024 and to date. *** PREVIOUS PQ 30844/25 ***”*

Parliamentary Question 45228/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the cost of the entire project for the MRI scanner unit in Navan Hospital.”*

Dear Deputy Toibin,

HSE Dublin and North East 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

The MRI unit at Our Lady’s Hospital, Navan is operated by Alliance Medical Diagnostic Imaging (AMD I) under a contract covering inpatients, outpatients, and the GP Access to Community Diagnostics scheme, with daily scans available to all patients based on clinical triage and prioritisation, including medical card holders. The arrangement forms part of the National Tender, with AMD I one of several approved providers, and the cost per scan is covered under this contract. Liability is covered by AMD I.



The MRI unit is operated through a public/private partnership that encompasses both HSE employs and private staff.

All medical card holders have access to all scans available under the GP Access to Community Diagnostics in the MRI unit. The full list of scans available to all patients under the GP Access to Community Diagnostics are outlined on the [HSE website](#).

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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