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Mr James Geoghegan, TD, Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 49888/25* To ask the Minister for Health if she will consider the introduction of ring-fenced annual funding for radiotherapy equipment replacement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -James Geoghegan

Dear Deputy Geoghegan,

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.

LINAC machines in use by the HSE range in age. Installation of the existing machines was between 2008–2022. The HSE Capital Plan includes for the replacement of major medical equipment across 3 locations in the St. Luke's Radiation Oncology Network (SLRON) facilities: Rathgar, the St. James's Hospital campus and the Beaumont Hospital campus. The scope of the project includes design, construction works and installation of equipment.

The delivery of the project is complex as upgrade works will be required to the buildings and treatment capacity will have to be maintained so the LINAC machines can only be taken out of service one at a time. In addition, the works and installation of equipment will be undertaken in a live clinical environment.

A design team has been appointed by the HSE for the above and the design process is currently underway, it is expected that step one of the procurement process for the works and the equipment supply will commence in Q1 2026. Sufficient funding is currently in place to support this project.



In addition it is proposed a new radiation oncology building is constructed at the Beaumont hospital campus, this project is currently nearing completion of the detailed business case stage (as per the infrastructure guidelines) and it is intended that the tender process will commence in the coming months. Completion of this project will enable the replacement of the existing linac machines in the Beaumont hospital.

Yours sincerely

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