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Mr Duncan Smith TD  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Smith,

Tallaght University Hospital (TUH) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the below Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister of Health.

**PQ ref 48182/23**

**To ask the Minister for Health the average wait time from check in to seeing a clinician at Tallaght University Hospital Emergency Department.**

Please be advised that the current year to date average wait time from registration to see a clinician is 4.3 hours, a 17% improvement on 2022. I should note that this is across all triage categories and patients are seen in order of clinical priority. As such an average wait times do not accurately reflect the complexities of the management of a large emergency department.

Should you have any queries don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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**MR JOHN KELLY**  
**DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**