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

PQ 8433/24 To ask the Minister for Health if financial assistance is available for those who need to rent or buy medical equipment such as scalp cooling or cold cap machines; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

-Brian Leddin

Dear Deputy Leddin,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 8433/24) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The provision of necessary medical equipment to eligible service users in the community is based on an assessment of a need by an appropriate healthcare professional, and a determination that the particular piece of equipment is the most appropriate to address a functional requirement of the individual service user. In respect of the provision of direct financial assistance, under existing national legislation, the HSE do not provide such assistance to individual members of the community.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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