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RE: To ask the Minister for Health whether the vacancies in UHG pathology were affected by the recruitment embargo; how his Department intends to address these vacancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Violet-Anne Wynne

Dear Deputy Wynne

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above.

In response to your query, we can confirm that the Pathology service has been affected by the recruitment embargo. Turnaround times have been affected in some departments as a result. Efforts continue to recruit into approved vacancies.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Kane

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