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To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of delays in processing blood tests at LUH; the impact this will have on services; if steps are being taken to address the delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Pearse Doherty

Dear Deputy,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

A number of tests will be referred to an outside private provider Eurofins-Biomnis. The requirement to outsource has become necessary in view of the continuing increase in demand exceeding our laboratory capacity.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



Seán Murphy
General Manager
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