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Ms Roisin Shortall TD,
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Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
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PQ 19699/24

To ask the Minister for Health the reason the Midwest Cancer Centre does not have access to a device (details supplied); if a device will be provided to this centre; if this device is available in any of the other designated cancer centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Róisín Shortall

Details supplied: A portable ultrasound device used to find veins

Dear Deputy Shortall,

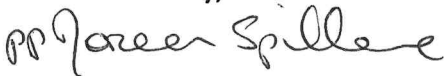
The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have been in contact with the relevant staff and I wish to advise that UL Hospitals Group does not use the device referenced above in the Mid Western Cancer Centre as all central lines are put in with radiology.

There have been no major issues reported by our patients regarding access for line insertion. UL Hospitals Group is not aware of other cancer centres that use this device.

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Colette Cowan
Chief Executive Officer
UL Hospitals Group