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FAST MOVE FROM THE GHA

The GHA has just installed a top of the range system to transport Laboratory samples. This operates using pneumatic vacuum technology and sends samples safely to the Laboratory directly from the Accidents and Emergency Department, Critical Care Ward, and Operating Theatres.

Samples can now be sent as soon as they are collected from patients rather than waiting for the porter service. This system, in conjunction with the electronic result reporting system introduced over a year ago, means results are available sooner than ever before.

Dr McCutcheon, Chief Executive of the GHA, said: 'This technology helps significantly in rapid disease diagnosis and more efficient patient management. It will also help reduce patient waiting times in the Accidents and Emergency Department'.

'This is yet another example of the way the GHA is improving the services we offer patients in our hospital. It also demonstrates our commitment to continually update our technology and infrastructure', said Minister for Health, Yvette Del Agua.