



Daffodil Centre at Hermitage Clinic receives an innovation award

THE Hermitage Medical Clinic's Irish Cancer Society's Daffodil Centre recently received a Biomnis Healthcare and Innovation Award.

Hermitage Medical Clinic's Daffodil Centre is located on the lower ground floor of the hospital and offers a direct collaboration with the hospital and the Irish Cancer Society.

The centre is staffed by a nurse and trained volunteers. Each Daffodil Centre has an internet cancer information point and literature stands which are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Daffodil Centre in the Hermitage aims to support cancer patients, their families and friends, the general public and also the staff of the hospital.

The Biomnis Healthcare and Innovation Award event recognizes innovation and leadership within healthcare.

The Hermitage Clinic has some of the most advanced oncology facilities in the



The Daffodil Centre at the Hermitage Clinic in Lucan.

country, offering expert advice in patient assessment and evaluation, education of planned treatment for the patient and their family; psychosocial support and liaison with many national cancer support groups as well as medication delivery including chemotherapy administra-

tion and management.

The Hermitage has also started a new treatment for prostate cancer using the advanced technique of Prostate Brachytherapy.

Prof Frank Sullivan, Consultant Radiation Oncologist is one of the few Irish experts in the field of prostate brachytherapy.

In the autumn, a Cyberknife Centre will open at Hermitage Medical Clinic. Cyberknife, a high tech piece of radiosurgery equipment is used to fight tumours and cancers and patients will no longer have to travel outside the country to receive this transformative treatment.