

4th July 2024

Mr Marc O' Cathasaigh TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 29161 - To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for a provision of a diabetes unit in University Hospital Waterford as the only level 4 hospital without such a unit; and if he will make a statement on the matter


Dear Deputy O' Cathasaigh,

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.

I can advise that in relation to the provision of a dedicated Diabetes Care Unit at University Hospital Waterford, discussions are underway to facilitate plans for this expanding service at local and national level. We are awaiting progression of the OPD vertical capital project which will give more space to be able to repurpose the existing space for Diabetes Services at UHW.

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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