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25th June 2024

Mr. Paul Murphy, T.D. Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

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Dear Deputy Murphy,

The RCSI Hospital Group 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

A Consultant led endocrinology service for patients experiencing persistent gender incongruence is provided in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda which follows International standards of best practice, specifically guidelines provided by the (American) Endocrine Society and the guidelines provided by the (United Kingdom) Royal College of Psychiatrists.

There are currently 167 patients attending this service.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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