

By email to pauline.tully@oireachtas.ie

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Ms. Pauline Tully, T.D, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 25615/24 "To ask the Minister for Health why 24 paediatric patients of Cavan and Monaghan hospital are still having to travel to Our lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda, after a new pathway of care for children and young people with type 1 diabetes was implemented in Cavan and Monaghan Hospital for the provision of insulin pump therapy in Q4 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Tully,

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.

Following an expansion of the specialised paediatric diabetic care team within the RCSI Hospital Group and cross-site engagement from existing staff, a new pathway of care for children and young people with Type 1 Diabetes was implemented in Cavan & Monaghan Hospital for the provision of Insulin Pump Therapy in Q4, 2023 which is a managed service with Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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