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PQ 20708/18- To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a catheterisation laboratory at Sligo University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy. Scanlon,

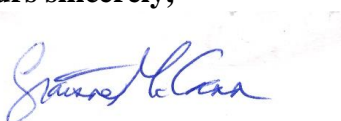
The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Public Representation. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Response:

A business case to support the development of an Invasive Cardiology Service within the Saolta Group has been submitted to the National Acute Hospitals Office. The business case looks at the provision of four Cath Labs across the Group. There are currently two based in Galway, with modular temporary units attending Sligo and Letterkenny on a weekly basis. The plan is for three fixed Cath Labs in Galway and one in Sligo, with a combined Cardiology team from Galway, Sligo and Letterkenny providing invasive cardiac services to these four Cath Labs. This will allow for a fully integrated and sustainable service and will ensure timely access for acute and elective cardiac patients across the Group. A National Review of Specialist Cardiac Services is currently being undertaken chaired by Professor Philip Nolan.

I trust that this addresses your query but feel free to contact my office if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



**Grainne McCann
General Manager**

Mission Statement

Sligo University Hospital is committed to the delivery of a high quality, patient centred service in a safe, equitable and efficient manner. We recognise and value the contribution of each staff member and endeavour to support them in their ongoing development.