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Leinster House,  
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**PQ 15830/19**

"To ask the Minister for Health the reason children that travelled under the scoliosis action plan outsourcing initiative to a hospital (details supplied) now find themselves without access to their referring Irish consultant"

**Details:** The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, London (RNOH)

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

I refer to your parliamentary question above to which I have been asked to provide a response.

CHI at Crumlin has a contract for Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital (RNOH) London for follow up patients as outpatients on a bi-annual basis or on a more frequent basis if required clinically. This is on the basis that the surgeon in Stanmore is following up the patients that they have operated on.

Follow up care is being provided by the surgeons from RNOH, London.

Yours sincerely,



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