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Ms. Louise O'Reilly, TD Dail Eireann Dublin 2.

PQ 11607/19: To ask the Minister for Health the costs associated with addressing the resource deficit in the provision of the thrombectomy services; the costs of addressing the infrastructural issues relating to the current neurointerventional radiology and thrombectomy equipment in Beaumont Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

I refer to the above PQ which has been forwarded to me for response.

In September 2017, HSE Acute Operations supported a capital submission from the RCSI Hospital Group for upgrading of the existing and provision of additional neuro interventional services at Beaumont Hospital. The submission was subsequently recommended for inclusion within HSE Capital Plan subject to the availability of capital funding. In relation to the specific capital costs for development of neuro interventional radiology (thrombectomy services) at Beaumont, the indicative capital funding required which includes the equipment is in the order of €6.9million

As outlined in my response to your PQ 1282/19, the additional funding required in 2019 to support the development of the new Childrens Hospital reduces the potential funding allocation for priority developments across the entire HSE Service. At the request of the Department of Health, HSE are currently reviewing capital priorities that are not currently contractually committed. The above priority is included in the range of projects under current consideration in the context of patient safety, infrastructural risk and regulatory requirements.

On completion of the HSE evaluation, a revised draft plan will be submitted to the Department of Health for consideration and approval and it is envisaged the above priority project will be approved for funding in 2019.

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely

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