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Deputy John Brassil Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare St, Dublin 2

PQ Number: 19942/19

Dear Deputy Brassil,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) – South (Cork & Kerry) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this office for response.

**PQ Question:** To ask the Minister for Health if there is an overspend to date in 2019 of €11 million at University Hospital Kerry, the measures in place to address this matter; the services that will be affected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -John Brassil

University Hospital Kerry net budget allocation for 2019 has increased by €3.713m or 4.27%. (2018 = €86.864m, 2019 = €90,577m). Notwithstanding this increase, there are significant budget challenges due to increasing service demands, pay awards, full costs of service, etc. Hospital Management and the South/South West Hospital Group have agreed a cost containment plan to ensure budgetary compliance and this is under constant monitoring.

There are no plans to reduce any service in 2019.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours sincerely,

**Fearghal Grimes** 

General Manager/Complaints Officer

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