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PQ 20918/19 * To ask the Minister for Health his long-term plans for a number of community hospitals in County Donegal including the community hospitals in Lifford, Ramelton and St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Charlie McConalogue

PQ 20919/19 * To ask the Minister for Health the capital investment that will be provided in order to ensure long stay beds numbers will continue to be maintained at hospitals (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Charlie McConalogue

Lifford Community Hospital, Ramelton Community Hospital, St. Joseph's Stranorlar

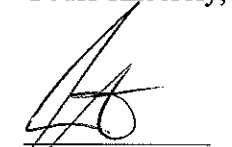
Dear Deputy McConalogue,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Lifford Community Nursing Unit (CNU) - The need for additional capacity, and the type of facilities required, including the potential to develop a new facility on a greenfield site in Lifford, will be reviewed further post 2021 when new census data is available and the HSE Bed capacity review is finalised.

Stranorlar and Ramelton Community Nursing Units (CNUs) - The retention of services in St. Joseph's Community Hospital Stranorlar and Ramelton Community Hospital with a requirement for refurbishment of both centres is included in the Capital Plan 2016 – 2021. These projects will be progressed when funding becomes available and timelines confirmed on receipt of funding. In the short term the HSE will invest minor capital in both units in 2019 & 2020 in order to deal with HIQA compliance issues and an agreed schedule of works is being finalised with HIQA.

Yours sincerely,



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