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Deputy Anne Rabbitte, TD Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street. Dublin 2.

PO 14019/20

Re: To ask the Minister for Health the reason teenagers are being left to stand outside while waiting to be seen in the CAMHS unit at Merlin Park Hospital, Galway; if a temporary structure could be put in place to help facilitate socially distanced queuing that is less exposed; the protocol in place for persons left waiting at the unit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Anne Rabbitte

Dear Deputy Rabbitte,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Rep which you submitted for response by 21st July. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position

The current procedure for service users attending appointments at the CAMHS Unit, Merlin Park Hospital, we are not asking people to queue, just that they stay in their cars when they arrive at the car park for their appointments and then phone into reception to say they have arrived, then they are called back to come in directly for their appointment

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries, please contact me

Yours sincerely

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