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Mr. Jackie Cahill T.D.
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PQ Reference Number 12862/20 Physiotherapy Services OLC ST

To ask the Minister for Health when the intensive physiotherapy department will reopen at Our Lady's Hospital, Cashel, County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cahill,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

Face to face Physiotherapy treatment was temporarily suspended in line with Covid 19 guidelines in April 2020. During this period, patients from St Patrick's Hospital Cashel were moved to Our Lady's Hospital in order to remain compliant with infection control regulations.

Once full services resume, Physiotherapy will deliver their services from both their current accommodation in Our lady's Hospital and new accommodation in St Patrick's Hospital. We are currently working toward resuming full services by ensuring the appropriate measures are in place for the safe delivery of services for both our clients and staff. In the meantime, Physiotherapy will continue to delivery their services via other channels where possible.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeanne Hendrick', written over a horizontal line.

Jeanne Hendrick,
A/Head of Service Primary Care,
Assistant National Director,
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