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Deputy Padraig O'Sullivan Dail Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

"To ask the Minister for Health his plans to reduce waiting lists and outpatient appointments at Mallow General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan

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

Mallow General Hospital is utilising telehealth, virtual clinics and attend in person appointments to manage the out-patient appointments.

Waiting lists are managed in accordance with the National Inpatient, Day Case, Planned Procedure Waiting list Management Protocol. Patients are prioritised by clinical need and are offered the nearest available appointment.

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

Yours sincerely,

Interim Chief Executive Officer