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**PQ 2782/20 \* To ask the Minister for Health the status of the proposed 100 bed unit at the St. Mary's Hospital site, Dublin Road, Drogheda; the most recent specification brief on the project; if specific commencement dates have been agreed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Fergus O'Dowd**

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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.

The proposed Community Nursing Unit (CNU) at St. Mary's Hospital, Drogheda is currently at tender stage.

The Estates unit in the Health Service Executive is currently tasked with the delivery of additional capacity (infrastructure and equipment) nationwide in the effort for the containment and prevention of the spread of the coronavirus - COVID-19. Work is currently focused on this key task.

Yours sincerely,

**Jim Curran**  
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