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Mr Alan Kelly TD
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
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RE: PQ 27516/20

*** To ask the Minister for Health the proportion of the €600 million announced as part of the Winter Plan that will be allocated to University Hospital Limerick; if a crisis response to the overcrowding in the emergency department of the hospital will be sanctioned as a result; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Alan Kelly**

Dear Deputy Kelly,

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.

We have received information on indicative winter funding from the HSE. We are currently going through a verification and clarification process following which we'll be in a position to share details with you.

However I am pleased to confirm that funding for the additional 98 new single en-suite rooms in UHL has been allocated and we continue to plan for the opening of these beds before the end of year, subject to recruitment.

We are currently reviewing our escalation plans in light of the Covid pandemic and will be finalising this shortly.

I trust this clarifies the position. Please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,


Colette Cowan
Chief Executive Officer
UL Hospitals Group

