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Mr David Cullinane,
Dáil Éireann,
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Re: Parliamentary Question 18845/21 - *“To ask the Minister for Health if a local implementation board has been established in 2011 for Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda under the HSE Obstetrics and Gynaecology programme; the steps that have been taken to ensure implementation of recommendations of the report (IOG report); if these recommendations are currently being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”*

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The RCSI Hospital Group 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

The National Clinical Programme for Obstetrics and Gynaecology was established as a joint initiative between HSE Clinical Strategy and Programmes Division and the Institute of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Royal College of Physicians of Ireland.

We have a service provision in place that compliments the National Clinical Programme. Our Lady of Lourdes, Hospital operates within the RCSI Hospital Group Maternity network in line with the recommendations of the National Maternity Strategy, thereby ensuring governance and leadership of maternity services. As a member of the RCSI Hospital Group, Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda and Louth County Hospital is an active participant in, and contributor to the Women’s and Children’s Senior Incident Management Forum (WAC SIMF) which was established in 2016.

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Maternity services contributes to the Irish Maternity Indicator System (IMIS), a system which captures and presents key data metrics from all 19 maternity hospitals/units each year and is delivered by the National Women’s & Infants Health Programme (NWIHP).

We trust this information is of assistance to you.



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Yours sincerely,

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