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Deputy Kelly
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PQ Ref 19563/21: To ask the Minister for Health the maternity hospitals that are allowing partners to attend scans in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

This type of information is not collected centrally within our unit. It would be available at a local level in each individual maternity hospital. The decision to facilitate partners at scans is a decision taken at a hospital level, considering the different circumstances in each location.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mary-Jo Biggs, General Manager, National Women and Infants Health Programme