

**6<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

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**Re: PQ 59391/21 – Surgical activity, Cappagh Hospital**

**"To ask the Minister for Health if funding of €5.1 million will be provided annually to Cappagh Hospital in order that it can increase surgical activity by at least 400% and relieve significant pressure on orthopaedic paediatric waiting lists."**

Dear Deputy Kelly,

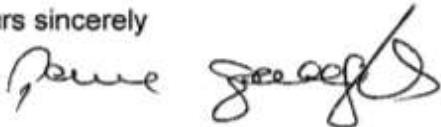
I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on funding for increased surgical activity in the National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

The hospital has ongoing challenges with bed capacity and HDU capacity. In that context, the National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh and the Ireland East Hospital Group have made a submission to the HSE in relation to the future development of services in the Hospital.

The submission includes a 10 Bed HDU, 76 Bed Single Occupancy Modular Build and three additional theatres. The proposal is currently under consideration by the HSE Capital Committee.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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