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Our ref: CD/br
21st December, 2021

Ms. Rose Conway Walsh,
Houses of the Oireachtas,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

**Re: PQ 62833/21 To ask the Minister for Health if there is a diabetes team in the gestational diabetes clinic in Mayo General Hospital that allow for the provision of insulin onsite;
Rose Conway-Walsh**

Dear Ms. Rose Conway Walsh,

I refer to your above representation.

The Consultant Endocrinologist providing a visiting service to MUH ceased this on the 30th of September last.

Over 30 patients are affected by this at present. These patients have been referred to Galway and we are continuing to try and minimise the impact on travel for our patients. It is complex as it involves two specialties and two sites.

There has been approval for a permanent shared consultant allocation to MUH. MUH is also recruiting a second consultant endocrinologist post for adult diabetes and this person will also support diabetes in pregnancy in the future.

There is an expectation that a locum will be in place in early 2022 however we do not have formal notification on this at this time.

Yours faithfully,



CATHERINE DONOHOE
Hospital Manager