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UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL GALWAY
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PQ Ref. 16667 21 To ask the Minister for Health the number of posts in the bariatric care team at University Hospital Galway that are currently vacant; and when these posts will be filled. -Alan Kelly

Dear Deputy Kelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above, the following outlines the situation.

Discussions are currently taking place with the Saolta Group and the National Clinical Programme in relation to funding and developing this model of care further in 2021 and the details are yet to be finalised.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,



Chris Kane
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