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Deputy Darren O'Rourke TD
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Dublin 2

PQ 53040.21 To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided in 2022 for the recruitment of two additional full-time craniofacial surgeons.

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

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.

Response:

Craniofacial surgery by its nature is multidisciplinary involving Paediatric Neurosurgery, Plastic and OMFS. At present, the National Clinical Programme for Surgery are drafting models of care for both Oral Maxillo Facial Surgery and Plastic surgery part of which will review current provision of craniofacial services and will make recommendations as appropriate. When this work is complete this will inform future submission for resources.

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Emma Benton', with a horizontal line underneath.

Emma Benton

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