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**To ask the Minister for Health the status of the Sunday day care centre in Leopardstown Hospital; the measures being taken to reopen fully for its patrons; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Jennifer Carroll MacNeill,

In response to your above parliamentary question regarding the status of the re-opening of Sunday Day Care Centre in Leopardstown Hospital, I wish to advise you of the following:-

Leopardstown Park Hospital is very cognisant of the vital role day care services play in supporting people to remain in their communities and are delighted to confirm that they have been in a position to safely reopen recently. Day care services in Leopardstown Park Hospital reopened on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 on a reduced level initially and in line with national public health guidelines and local risk assessments.

Initially services are being provided on a Monday- Friday basis, however those clients who, pre pandemic, previously attended on Saturday or Sunday are in the process of being offered a weekday day care attendance, subject to their continued clinical suitability to attend this service and their willingness to attend. Services are commencing at reduced level initially and will be reassessed with a view to extending that capacity safely in due course, in line with national public health guidelines, prevailing levels of Covid within the communities and overall local risk assessments.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

  
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Head of Services Older Persons.