

Deputy Claire Kerrane
Houses of the Oireachtas
Kildare St
Dublin 2.

30th November 2021

PQ Number: 59046/21

PQ Question: *‘To ask the Minister for Health the number of additional beds that will be made operational in Portiuncula Hospital under the winter plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter’.*

Dear Deputy Kerrane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of representations in relation to the above PQ which was submitted to the Minister for Health.

I wish to advise that no additional beds were provided to Portiuncula University Hospital in 2021, however, it is expected that in 2022 we will have the commencement and completion of the conversion of the existing OPD into 12 beds which will provide additional capacity.

I trust that this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,



Mr James Keane,
General Manager.