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Mr David Cullinane TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 41582 - To ask the Minister for Health the services that will be provided in the second catheterisation laboratory at University Hospital Waterford; if services will include primary percutaneous coronary intervention procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane

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.

I can advise that confirmation has been received from HSE Estates that the equipment for the 2nd Cath Lab will be the same equipment as recently installed in the newly upgraded existing Cath Lab and will have full interventional capabilities. The equipment supplier appointed is also the same as for the existing laboratory.

The Contractor for the construction of the new Cath Lab at University Hospital Waterford (UHW) was formally appointed on 25th March 2021. The project commenced on 17th May 2021 with an approximate 13 month programme of works. The project could not commence earlier due to levels of Covid Infection presenting at UHW earlier this year.

It is expected the main Contractor will hand over the project by end of Q2 2022 and equipping and commissioning will follow for a period of 2 months and the Cath Lab will be available for operational use by Q3 2022 onwards.

Construction is located in the core of the working Hospital and therefore the progress of the project will at all times be subject to Infection Control requirements and any other Hospital Operational requirements

I can also confirm that services will include primary percutaneous coronary intervention procedures

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Grace Rothwell
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