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PQ 41584/21 To ask the Minister for Health if the second catheterisation laboratory at University Hospital Waterford will be fully equipped to the same standard as the first laboratory; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - David Cullinane

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.

The construction of the second Cardiac Catheterisation Laboratory to enable the expansion of the Cardiac Diagnostic/Interventional service at University Hospital Waterford (UHW) commenced on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 with a 13 month works programme. It is expected the main Contractor will hand over the project by the end of June 2022. Equipping and commissioning will follow for a period of 2 months and the Cath Lab will be available for operational use from September 2022 onwards.

In relation to the equipment and fitting out of the second Catheterisation Laboratory at University Hospital Waterford the same standards will apply to the second laboratory as applied to the original laboratory, which was upgraded earlier last year. The equipment supplier is the same for both laboratories.

Yours sincerely,

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