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To ask the Minister for Health the reason unit 1 in Merlin Park Hospital, Galway is not open for patients for overnight care; when it is anticipated that unit 1 will reopen; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
-Éamon Ó Cuív

Dear Deputy Ó Cuív,


The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above, the following outlines the situation.

As all Staff have returned to **Hospital 1** from September 27th we are now in a position to resume taking overnight patients.

Just to clarify, **Unit 1** referred to in the PQ is the Outpatient Department.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,


Chris Kane
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