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RE: PQ 46751/21

To ask the Minister for Health the status of cardiac rehabilitation services in each hospital that is supposed to offer the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in relation to the above parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have consulted with the National Heart Programme on your question and have been informed that the following outlines the position.

The National Heart Programme (NHP) is currently focused on the planning and implementation of cardiac rehabilitation services to increase access and standardise provision across the country through the Enhanced Community Care Programme (ECCP). The ECCP includes the provision of 30 Cardiac Rehabilitation (CR) Teams based in community care hubs (18 in Phase 1 ECC and 12 teams in Phase 2 ECC).

The NHP and the *Prevention Sub-group of the NHP Clinical Advisory Group* (to support CR services both in the acute and community settings) are engaged with key stakeholders to finalise a model of care (MoC) for cardiac rehabilitation. This MoC will support increased and more equitable access to CR.

The NHP has no plans to carry out a survey of existing hospital-based CR services at this time.

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

Yours sincerely

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General Manager