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Re: PQ 7191/22- Cappagh kids ward, National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh

"To ask the Minister for Health the manner in which Cappagh kids ward and paediatrics at Cappagh Hospital, Dublin 11 are funded; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on Cappagh kids ward funding in National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that the National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh (NOHC) accepts referrals from all over Ireland and receives its core budget from the HSE through the Ireland East Hospital Group. NOHC received €1.6m in 2021 for an initiative to treat some of CHI at Temple Street's non-complex long waiting patients. This was funded by the HSE via the Access to Care programme. National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh's own paediatric patients are funded through its core budget allocation on an annual basis.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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