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Re: PQ 63167/21- Thighplasty treatment

"To ask the Minister for Health if thighplasty is available as a treatment post weight loss via the HSE public system."

Dear Deputy Kenny,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on thighplasty treatment in St Columcille's Hospital, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised by Dr. Jean O'Connell that Thighplasty/Body contouring surgery (removal of loose skin on abdomen, thighs, arms) following significant weight loss, is a procedure that is accessible through the HSE. However, there is no service for Thighplasty at St. Columcille's Hospital,

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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