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Mr Sean Fleming T.D.,
Minister of State,
Department of Finance,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2

Re: Parliamentary Question - 11804/22

To ask the Minister for Health his plans in relation to the restoration of services at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

(Details) - Restoration of day care facilities at Abbeyleix Community Hospital County Laois

Dear Minister Fleming,

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. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

Currently Side A of Abbeyleix Community Nursing Unit is being renovated and the service is temporarily being provided in Side B of the building. It is planned that Side A will re-open in April 2022 comprising of 10 single occupancy rooms. When side A opens, Side B will provide for 18 intermediate care beds under the governance and management of the Dublin Midlands Hospital Group.

The day service was previously provided in Side B of the building and it will be used in the interim while awaiting the intermediate care beds to open. A schedule of accommodation has been submitted to the Estates department of the HSE to source suitable accommodation in Abbeyleix to provide the day service in the long term. This is being done in conjunction with the production of a Development Control Plan (DCP) for the site.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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