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Re: PQ 51298-22 Endometriosis services at the Coombe Hospital

Dear Deputy O'Snodaigh

Thank you for your recent correspondence enquiring about endometriosis services at the Coombe Hospital.

A new enhanced treatment clinic for women with objective evidence of endometriosis was opened in March 2021. Currently this clinic sits once a month but due to the success of the clinic, it is hoped to increase the capacity to twice a month from early 2023, subject to staffing.

The Clinic is led by two consultants and supported by representatives of Physiotherapy, Dietetics, Pain Medicine and Psychosexual Counselling. Women who already attend a gynaecology service and have a diagnosis of endometriosis may be referred by their current consultant to this specialist service. It is **not** for women who have symptoms of, or suspected, endometriosis; such women should be referred by their GP to mainstream gynaecology services. If endometriosis is then confirmed, the treatment of such women may then be managed by our multidisciplinary team in the enhanced treatment clinic.

Yours sincerely

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