

By email to fergus.odowd@oireachtas.ie

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Mr. Fergus O'Dowd, T.D,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 42329/22 *“To ask the Minister for Health the total number of beds available in Our Lady of Lourdes and Louth County Hospitals in each of the years 2015 to 2021 and to date in 2022, inclusive by department; the projected increase and decrease in the number of beds in the years ahead; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Fergus O'Dowd”*

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

The RCSI Hospital Group 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

Bed Capacity:

Hospital	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Our Lady of Lourdes	357	369	370	399	405	432	471	478
Louth County Hospital	80	89	89	86	86	86	89	90

We trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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