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***To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a greater supply of ambulance services to Naas Hospital given that currently the demand exceeds the supply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -James Lawless***

Dear Deputy Lawless,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

We currently have an Ambulance station located in Naas, Baltinglass, Athy and Maynooth

NAS operates on a National basis and mobilises responses to calls for assistance based on patient needs, ambulances may travel to and be dispatched from various locations, irrespective of their base, as they are not confined to work in geographical areas, for example an ambulance based in Naas may respond to a call in Dublin or vice versa.

The current deployment model is designed around international best practice and has eliminated previous practices where the nearest ambulance was not always dispatched due to former legacy boundaries.

I trust this information is of assistance

Yours sincerely

William Merriman  
Director of Operations  
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