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**Deputy Paul Murphy**  
**Dáil Eireann**  
**Dublin 2**

Dear Deputy Murphy

I refer to your recent parliamentary question which has been forwarded to me for attention.

**PQ 18070/23 - To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of any external or internal pressure being placed on clinical staff at Temple Street to restart spina bifida-related surgeries in advance of the conclusion of the external review and therefore before any possibility of implementing recommendations from that review.**

**Children's Health Ireland (CHI) response:**

Children's Health Ireland is not aware of any internal or external pressure on clinical staff to restart kyphectomy surgeries.

Yours sincerely

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