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Mr. Joe Flaherty T.D.,  
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Leinster House,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 18479/23**

**To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the provision of a minor injuries' unit for the St. Joseph's care campus in Longford town; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Flaherty,

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.

The GPTU is located on St Joseph's care campus in Longford town and is open from 9.00am to 18.00pm Monday to Friday, excluding weekends and bank holidays when the service is closed. There are currently two General Practitioners who provide minor injury treatments on behalf of the Health Service Executive to the population of County Longford. Minor injury treatment includes injuries of any sort (excluding major trauma) i.e. Limb injury with direct referral to Trauma clinics, wounds, bites, scalds, abscess, splinters, foreign bodies etc. also Bloods (Warfarin) and monitoring, Venesections, Dressings, Prescriptions.

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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