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## PQ 5291/23

To ask the Minister for Health if the pathfinder alternative care pathway will be extended to cover counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Pauline Tully TD

Dear Deputy Tully,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) 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.

NAS has developed a Strategy for the period up to 2031 in which in proposes to introduce the Pathfinder model of care into the catchment area of each acute hospital in Ireland.

There is no specific timeline to do so in the Cavan/Monaghan area as such implementation will be subject to the support of the acute hospital services in Cavan and securing future funding through the estimates process.

I hope this information is helpful to you.

Yours sincerely

Robert Morton National Director National Ambulance Service

