



Midlands Regional Hospital
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17/02/2023

Deputy Patricia Ryan
Dáil Eireann
Leinster House
Dublin 2

RE: PQ Ref 7885/23

Subject: To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that several patients on trolleys were temporarily moved from the hallway of the accident and emergency department to the transit ward and other areas of the hospital prior to the Ministers visit to Tullamore Hospital on or about 2 December 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ryan,

Further to your recent correspondence, regarding the above, I can advise that Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore plan and use surge capacity in the hospital on a regular basis based on our Unscheduled demand . All surge capacity is reported on a daily basis via Trolleygar.

Trusting this clarifies your request.

If I can provide any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Catriona McDonald

General Manager