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Mr Jackie Cahill TD, Dàil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2. Email: pqmidwestacute@hse.ie

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To ask the Minister for Health the amount that was spent in 2022 on private ambulances to transfer patients from Nenagh General Hospital to nursing homes, when they were being discharged from the hospital; the breakdown of the locations from which these ambulances travelled from originally in order to transfer these patients from Nenagh Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Jackie Cahill

Dear Deputy Cahill,

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 been in contact with the relevant staff and I have been informed that UL Hospitals Group spent €160,498 on private ambulance patient transfers from Nenagh Hospital to other locations including nursing homes. The private providers used by UL Hospitals Group are based in Limerick.

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Prof Colette Cowan Chief Executive Officer UL Hospitals Group

