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PQ 48987/23- To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the injury clinic unit for Carlow town and county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Jennifer Murnane O'Connor

Dear Deputy O'Connor,

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.

Acute Operations contacted HSE Operations Planning to answer your question. Operations Planning advised:

The HSE carried out a review of Injury Units (IUs) in 2022 and is developing an implementation plan in the context of the 2024 budgetary process and National Service Plan.

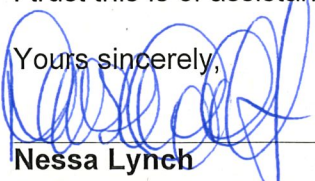
The purpose of the review was to work in conjunction with Hospitals and Community services to understand the IUs across the country with the aim of identifying areas of practice that could be rolled out nationally. This would support increased utilisation, standardisation of operations and service delivery, while identifying barriers that exist within these services with respect to staffing, operations, governance and physical infrastructure.

Recommendations from the review are being considered in terms of the potential alignment with and inclusion in; the Urgent and Emergency Care Three Year National Plan for the HSE where appropriate, to support IU stabilisation and development plans.

In this context no decisions have been reached by the HSE as yet in relation to specific new locations for IUs etc. however; increasing the number of locations is under consideration at present, subject to available resources.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,


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