

By email to matt.carthy@oireachtas.ie

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Mr. Matt Carthy T.D, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street. Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 44661/23/23 "To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans in place to return the C/T scanner to Monaghan Hospital; the timeframe for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Carthy"

Parliamentary Question 44662/23 "To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided to deliver a MRI scanner to Monaghan Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Carthy"

Dear Deputy/Minister,

The RCSI Hospital Group 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

Cavan & Monaghan Hospital operate as a single hospital, with an integrated managerial and clinical governance system, care pathways and support functions.

Cavan & Monaghan Hospital currently have two operating CT scanners and one MRI scanner. Access to CT and MRI scanners is prioritised on clinical need. Critical ill patients have timely access to CT and MRI scanners, as required. Clinical prioritisation is maintained at all times for patients.

There are currently no plans to increase the number of CT and/or MRI scanners in Cavan & Monaghan Hospital.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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