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Mr Alan Kelly, T.D. Dail Eireann Leinster House Dublin

PQ 45426/23 - To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to extend the opening hours of the minor injuries unit at Our Lady's Hospital, Cashel seven days a week.

Dear Deputy Kelly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is my response.

The Minor Injuries Unit (MIU) is operational for the treatment of minor injuries or ailments, Monday through to Friday from 09:00hrs - 17:00 hrs. Clients can self-refer to the Minor Injuries Unit in addition to referrals by GP's.

Currently there are no plans to extend the opening hours of the Minor injuries at Our Lady's Hospital, Cashel to seven days a week.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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