

**CC/VAW/MC****Email: [pgmidwestacute@hse.ie](mailto:pgmidwestacute@hse.ie)**23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024Ms Violet-Anne Wynne TD,  
Dàil Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2**PQ 15738/24****To ask the Minister for Health to outline his plans in detailed timeline with respect to recent measures announced for the UL Hospitals Group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Violet-Anne Wynne**

Dear Deputy Wynne,

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.

UL Hospitals Group welcomes the significant additional in-year investment announced by the Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly TD during his recent visit to University Hospital Limerick, representing an additional €160m in capital funding and €79m in recurring revenue funding. Outlined below are the key projects and current timelines:

<b>Initiatives</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
Primary Care Streaming at the Front Door, UHL	In place
Extending Medical Assessment Units to 24/7	Phased introduction throughout 2024
Virtual Ward - Phase one for Cardiology and Respiratory patients	Q2 2024
Patient Flow and Discharge Improvement Lead	In place
96 Bed Block A: build to be completed (71 new and 25 replacement beds)	Q2 2025
96 Bed Block B: build to be completed	Q3 2028
50 Community Rehab/Stepdown Beds in Nenagh	Q3 2024
25 Community Rehab/Stepdown Beds in Clare	Q3 2024
16 bed rapid build unit in UHL	Q4 2024

Additional consultants	Recruitment process to commence shortly
CAMHS Paediatric Liaison Team	Recruitment process to commence shortly
Social Inclusion in-reach pathway	Q4 2024
Chronic Disease Management – redistribution of resources	Q4 2024
Safer Staffing Phase 2	Q4 2024

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

Yours sincerely,



**Professor Colette Cowan**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**UL Hospitals Group**