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Mr. Michael Murphy TD.,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the status of the new community nursing unit in Clonmel; to provide information on a completion date, a handover date and progress on registration with the relevant regulatory bodies; if she will also provide an update on the recruitment of staff for the new unit; when she expects patients from the existing St. Anthony's unit to be transferred; and when the unit will be at full capacity; and the number of level 3 palliative care beds that will be provided in the new unit.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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 the current position.

In relation to the completion date for the new build of St. Anthony's Community Nursing Unit, Clonmel, the PPP Estates team anticipate that it will be Quarter 3, however this is an estimate based on current progress and is subject to change. The handover date and progress on registration is dependent on completion.

I can confirm that recruitment of posts where there are not panels in place is due to commence within the next month. The proposed transfer date of the residents from the existing build to the new build is contingent on a completion date.

It is understood it had been agreed that there would be 3 palliative care beds provided within the new build.

I trust this clarifies. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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