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Mr. Ruairí Ó Murchú, T.D. Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 36480/25 "To ask the Minister if she will outline plans to improve the feeding, bathing and mobility facilities at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda, for young children who have disabilities and additional needs; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Ó Murchú,

HSE Dublin and North East 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.

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda is committed to supporting the needs of all patients, including children with disabilities, and provides a range of specialised equipment to ensure their comfort and care.

Staff on the Paediatric ward provide support to all children admitted to assist with feeding, washing and general care.

There are feeding chairs, bathing and mobility facilities available on the Paediatric ward.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,