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Ms. Erin McGreehan T.D.
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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Re: Parliamentary Question 37133/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the specific triage measures and protocols in place at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda, County Louth Emergency Department for people attending due to a mental health crisis.”*

Dear Deputy McGreehan,

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 currently use the Manchester Triage System to assess all patients presenting to the Emergency Department including patients with mental health concerns.

Following assessment, patients are either referred to an appropriate specialty or discharged.

Patients are placed in appropriate areas while awaiting assessment. The Mental Health Liaison team has access to a dedicated assessment room and also avail of CAHMS services in the community, as needed.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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