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“To ask the Minister for Health the measures being taken to ensure that the outpatient department service at Cahersiveen remains open; and if she will make a statement on the matter”.

Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to respond directly to you regarding the above Parliamentary Question submitted to the Minister for Health.

I can confirm arrangements have been made to re-locate National Ambulance Service staff to the Cahersiveen Community Hospital campus.

NAS will start emergency dispatch operations from Cahersiveen Community Hospital campus on August 1, which will allow for faster response to emergency calls, within the target of a 90-second activation.

In addition, a fourth Patient Transport vehicle will be based in the South Kerry area from August 18, which will further strengthen the service in the South Kerry area, demonstrating the National Ambulance Service's commitment to delivery safe, timely and response care to the communities of South Kerry.

This development will not impact on any of the existing services on the campus. There will be some redesignation and repurposing of a small number of rooms, and a mental health service administration space will move within the campus.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Collins
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