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Deputy Michael Cahill, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

## PQ ref 35109/25

"To ask the Minister for Health for a detailed progress report in regard to the new minor injuries unit in Killarney, County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Cahill,

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:

The proposed Killarney Local Injury Unit will be situated on the grounds of St. Columbanus in Killarney, Co. Kerry. Currently, the St. Columbanus facility operates as a Community Nursing Unit (CNU).

Once the new Killarney CNU, located on the grounds of the former St. Finan's Hospital in Killarney, is completed, residents and staff will be relocated to the new facility.

Following this transition, construction work will begin on the development of the Killarney Local Injury Unit at the St. Columbanus site.

It is anticipated that the construction will take approximately six months, commencing after the successful transfer of residents and staff to the new Killarney CNU.

I trust this clarifies the position and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Julie O'Neill Integrated Healthcare Area Manager Kerry HSE South West