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Mr. Matt Carthy, T.D.
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Re: Parliamentary Question 10216/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the additional or expanded services she plans to provide in Monaghan Hospital.”*

Dear Deputy Carthy,

HSE Dublin and North East has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above representation, which you submitted for response. Having examined the matter, the following outlines the position.

Cavan and Monaghan Hospital is part of the HSE Dublin and North East Region. Cavan General Hospital and Monaghan Hospital are 46 km apart and they operate as a single hospital, with an integrated managerial and clinical governance system, care pathways and support functions. Cavan General and Monaghan Hospital currently provide services to the population of both counties and its catchment area extends to counties Meath, Longford and Leitrim.

Cavan General Hospital is a Level 3 hospital and Monaghan Hospital is a Level 2 hospital. All acute in-patient services are based in Cavan General Hospital. Both Hospital sites provide extensive Outpatient, Theatre and Day Services. Cavan General Hospital is a teaching hospital with links to the Royal College of Surgeons, Royal College of Physicians, and the Dundalk Institute of Technology.

Service Development/ New Initiatives

- Re-establishment of Medical assessment Cavan Hospital
- Further integration with Services for older persons (Lisdarn Unit)
- Further development of Geriatric assessment hub
- Streaming pathways within the Emergency Department
- Chronic disease hub development – collaborative approach from acute and community
- Development of a FITT team supporting frailty presentations in Emergency Department
- Development of early supported discharge teams
- Integration with nursing homes within the Cavan and Monaghan area to provide an integrated approach and some support from the acute sites
- Expansion of cardiology services with an ECHO and EST room
- Development of a pain service
- Development of Virtual Wards - Respiratory and Cardiology
- Ongoing expansion of pathways in AMAU
- Expansion of hours for Minor Injury Unit – 7 days a week, 12-hour days
- 5 Story ED build, work commencing later in 2025



I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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