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REF: PQ 13050/25

RE: To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the development of the surgical hub at Merlin Park, Galway; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -John Connolly

Dear Deputy Connolly,

The HSE has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above.

In response to your query, we can confirm that construction is well underway of the Surgical Hub in Merlin Park University Hospital which is expected to be completed in Q1 2026. Commissioning of the hub will then take place and is to be operational by Q2 - Q3 2026.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

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