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Ms. Grace Boland, T.D.
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 24070/25 “To ask the Minister for Health if patients currently on waiting lists for procedures will be referred for the new Swords surgical hub when it opens later in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”

Re: Parliamentary Question 24047/25 “To ask the Minister for Health if it is the case that only patients on waiting lists under the care of the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital will be referred to the Swords surgical hub when it opens later this year for their procedures; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Boland,

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.

HSE Dublin and North East, along with the Elective Hospital Steering Group, are currently reviewing governance and operational arrangements for the surgical hub; these details have not yet been finalised. Please note that the key premise of the surgical hub will be to ensure equitable access for all HSE Dublin and North East patients.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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