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To ask the Minister for Health the reason Diabetic Services are no longer available at the Carrick on Suir Primary Care Centre; the status of the centre of excellence for Diabetic Services that was to be established at Saint Brigid's Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy McGrath,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

I can confirm that the Diabetic Service is no longer operating from the Carrick-on-Suir Primary Care Centre due to the limited availability of clinical spaces at that location. As an interim measure, a decision was made to operate selected multidisciplinary diabetes clinics from Our Lady's Hospital, Cashel, and St. Vincent's Health Centre, Tipperary Town.

I understand that monthly Diabetes Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) clinics for highly vulnerable patients continue to be provided at the Carrick-on-Suir Primary Care Centre.

The Diabetic Service will be permanently relocated to the newly refurbished Tipperary South Chronic Disease Community Specialist Services, situated in the former St. Paul's Unit on St. Luke's and Tipperary University Hospital Campus, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.

The Tipperary South Chronic Disease Community Specialist Services facility, located in the former St. Paul's Unit, is projected to be occupied and fully operational by December 2025.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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