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Dear Deputy Sherlock,

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

In view of the HSE Reform Programme and in line with Sláintecare, operational accountabilities have changed, Regional Executive Officers (REOs) are accountable and responsible for operational service delivery provision for regional health and social care services.

In order to respond to the query you have raised, Access and Integration engaged with Regional colleagues to co-ordinate this response and provide the position in this regard.

Please see the included Excel file with collated information received from the Health Regions, listing the operating theatres in HSE Acute Hospitals and Section 38 funded Hospitals.

Access and Integration also contacted HSE Capital & Estates for information regarding Operating Theatres within the Surgical Hubs across the country, please see below which outlines the status of same.

Location	No Theatres	Status
Mount Carmel Hospital (South Dublin)	2	Operational
Cork	2	In Construction
Galway	2	In Construction
Waterford	2	In Construction
Limerick	2	In Construction
Swords (North Dublin)	2	In Construction
Letterkenny	2	At Early Planning Stage
Sligo	2	At Early Planning Stage

Data source: HSE Capital & Estates

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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Access and Integration

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Beaumont Hospital	12	12	12	12	12	12	13
St Josephs Hospital	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Our Lady of Lourdes Hosptial Drogheda	5	7	7	7	7	7	7
Louth County Hospital Dundalk	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Our Lady's Hospital Navan	3	4	4	4	4	4	4
Rotunda Hospital	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Connolly Hosptial	4+1 Minor Procedure Room (MPR)	4+1 MPR	4+1 MPR	4+1 MPR	4+2 MPR	4+2 MPR	4+2 MPR
National Orthopaedic Hosp Cappagh	5 + 1 minor	5 + 1 minor	5 + 1 minor	5 + 1 minor	5 + 1 minor	5 + 1 minor	5 + 1 minor
Cavan General	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Monaghan General theatre	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mater Hospital	14	14	14	14	15	16	16

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Cork University Hospital	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Cork University Maternity Hospital	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
University Hospital Kerry	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Mercy University Hospital	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	9	9	9	9	9	11	11
Mallow General Hospital	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bantry General Hospital	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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Galway University Hospitals: University Hospital Galway (14 x Major Theatre Complex, 1 Gynae Theatre & 1 Day Theatre (Surgical Day Ward))	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Merlin Park University Hospital	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres	2 Elective Orthopaedic Theatres
Portiuncula University Hospital	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre	3 Major Operating Theatres (1 Emergency & 2 Elective) and 1 Minor Operating Theatre
Mayo University Hospital	4 Theatres	4 Theatres	4 Theatres	4 Theatres	4 Theatres	4 Theatres	4 Theatres
Sligo University Hospital	8 Theatres	8 Theatres	8 Theatres	8 Theatres	8 Theatres	8 Theatres	8 Theatres
	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)	(inclusive of 2 Day Theatres)
Letterkenny University Hospital	4 Main Theatre	4 Main Theatre	4 Main Theatre	4 Main Theatre	4 Main Theatre	4 Main Theatre	4 Main Theatre
	2 DSU	2 DSU	2 DSU	2 DSU	2 DSU	2 DSU	2 DSU
			1 Maternity	1 Maternity	1 Maternity	1 Maternity	1 Maternity

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University Hospital Limerick	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
St Johns Hospital	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Ennis Hospital	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nenagh Hospital	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Croom Orthopaedic Hospital	2	2	3	4	4	4	4
Maternity Hospital Limerick	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

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MRHP	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
The Coombe Hospital	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
SLRON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
MRHT	4	4	4	4	5	5	5
RHM	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
NGH	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
TUH - Main Theatre	x11 Adult theatres	x11 Adult theatres	x11 Adult theatres	x11 Adult theatres	x11 Adult theatres	x11 Adult theatres	x11 Adult theatres
TUH - Main Theatre	x1 Paeds theatre	x1 Paeds theatre	x1 Paeds theatre	x1 Paeds theatre	x1 Paeds theatre	x1 Paeds theatre	x1 Paeds theatre
TUH - RDSC	X	December x1 Theatre	From September x 2-3 theatres	x 2-3 theaters	x 3-4 theaters (mostly 3 theatres)	X 4 theaters	X 4 theaters
CHI Crumlin	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
CHI Temple Street	4	4	4	4	5	5	5
CHI Tallaght	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
CHI Total	14	14	14	14	15	15	15
*SJH	11 Main Theatre	11 Main Theatre	11 Main Theatre	11 Main Theatre	11 Main Theatre	11 Main Theatre	11 Main Theatre
	1 Endovascular	1 Endovascular	1 Endovascular	1 Endovascular	1 Endovascular	1 Endovascular	1 Endovascular
	1 Burns	1 Burns	1 Burns	1 Burns	1 Burns	1 Burns	1 Burns
	2 DSC GA Theatres	2 DSC GA Theatres	2 DSC GA Theatres	2 DSC GA Theatres	2 DSC GA Theatres	2 DSC GA Theatres	2 DSC GA Theatres
	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre	1 DSC Minor Ops Theatre

* The above is the theatre structure / footprint. There were periods of theatre closures due to staffing or infrastructure works over that time.

* South Dublin Surgical Hub came on stream in February 2025.