

7th November 2025

Mr Colm Burke,
46 Thomas Davis Street,
(Old Post Office),
Blackpool,
Cork

PQ 56798/25: To ask the Minister for Health if consultation with families who are involved in the audit hip surgery for children will be included in the forthcoming external expert panel process on hips; and if she will make a statement on the matter - Colm Burke

Dear Mr Burke,

The HSE is actively progressing the External Expert Panel Review and continues to prioritise clear and transparent communication with families affected by the review. Meaningful engagement has taken place with patient and family advocates, including a workshop and meetings to co-develop the Terms of Reference and agree a communication pathway for the duration of the review. Further meetings with patient and family advocates will take place throughout the review to ensure that all parties are up to date on the progress of the review.

The Review Commissioner has issued correspondence to all families involved in the review, providing an update and outlining next steps.

Yours Sincerely,

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