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Connolly

Be part of a world class children's hospital project

Paediatric Outpatient Department & Urgent Care Satellite Centre planned for Connolly

The planning application for the new children's hospital was submitted to An Bord Pleanála on 10th August 2015. The plans submitted included those for the new children's hospital as well as for the two Paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centres planned at Tallaght Hospital and Connolly Hospital.

There were over 1,000 hours of engagement and consultation with staff from the existing three children's hospitals, the Clinical Leads in Paediatric Specialities, with families, young people and children who are former or current users of the service, as well as with residents from the local Dublin 8 area. This extensive consultation process has led to the development of a world-class building which has been designed to enable staff to deliver the best possible clinical care for children and young people, while also seeking to provide a pleasant environment for staff and families.

We want to hear your ideas

The National Paediatric Hospital Development Board are continuing to work with residents, hospital staff and users of the service to create a will a world class new children's hospital and Paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Centres.

If you would like to submit ideas or have an enquiry please email info@nph.ie

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Commenting on the process in the lead up to the planning application: Minister for Health, Mr. Leo Varadkar T.D. said: "Today is an important milestone on the road to building our long-awaited world-class new National Children's Hospital. The plans are spectacular and the design is iconic. It will be the largest single investment in healthcare in Ireland ever and subject to planning permission work will be well underway in the new year."

Eilish Hardiman, Chief Executive of the Children's Hospital Group said: "We are one step closer to having a new world-class children's hospital in Ireland. The designs for the hospital and satellite centres submitted to An Bord Pleanála are wonderful and have been optimised to ensure that services are delivered in the best possible environment, so that we can ensure the best clinical outcomes for children and young people. It is another step on the road to bringing services in the three children's hospitals together under one roof for the first time."

Visit www.newchildrenshospital.ie to watch a video about the new children's hospital. Hear why parents, children and medical professionals from the three existing children's hospitals are looking forward to the development of the new hospital. Plans submitted to An Bord Pleanála can also be viewed at www.nchplanning.ie



▲ Minister for Health Leo Varadkar, Aoife Dillon, Clinical Education Facilitator, Temple Street Children's Hospital, Caoimhe Wade, Staff Nurse, Children's Heart Centre, Our Lady's Children Hospital Crumlin, Amanda McCormack, Nurse, National Children's Hospital Tallaght and Darragh Barry age 12 from the National Youth Advisory Committee

Letter of Support for the nch project from Clinical Leads

The planning application for the development of a new children's hospital for Ireland, on a shared campus with St James's Hospital, has now been submitted. This is a hugely positive and important milestone for the project and we welcome it wholeheartedly.

The three Dublin paediatric hospitals, working together under the umbrella of the Children's Hospital Group, have been actively collaborating for some time now on the Paediatric Model of Care.

The new children's hospital will be at the centre of this new Model of Care. It will bring all of the most complex elements of modern paediatric care under one roof for the first time in Ireland's history, in a modern building that is custom-built to deliver the best medical treatments that are now available.

The tri-location of the new children's hospital on a shared campus with St James's Hospital – one of Ireland's leading teaching hospitals – and the new maternity hospital, will provide the optimal model of care for the sickest children, new-born infants and women. It will improve clinical outcomes, patient experience and reduce waiting times.

When the new children's hospital is built, there will be no more unnecessary replication of highly specialised services for children. The new Model of Care will ensure proper referral pathways for all the children of Ireland to access the care appropriate to their needs, either close to their home or, if very specialised care is required, then at the new children's hospital.

An integral part of the new children's hospital includes the development of two Paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centres planned at Tallaght Hospital and Connolly Hospital. These centres will provide urgent care to the children of Dublin and the surrounding counties as well as paediatric outpatients. These Centres will allow children with minor injuries and minor illnesses to be treated locally in a model of care which has proven to be of the highest standard in other locations around the world.

The children of Ireland deserve the best care that they can be afforded and this project, developed by the National Paediatric Hospital Development Board and the Children's Hospital Group, provides that opportunity. It is our sincerest hope that it will now proceed without any further delays.

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Your Questions Answered



? I've been hearing a lot about a new model of care for Paediatrics, what is this?

Ireland is transitioning to a new model of care for paediatric services. The new children's hospital is at the heart of this change but is only one element.

The accepted best practice in the medical community involves treating the vast majority of children as close to home as is medically appropriate – and in the majority of instances, treatment is delivered on the same day. The new model of care will ensure that patients will receive consistent care regardless of whether they are being treated in a regional hospital, in their local hospital, an OPD & Urgent Care Satellite Centre, in the current children's hospitals or the new children's hospital.

The specialist staff in the existing children's hospitals and the new children's will hold shared clinics with their paediatric colleagues in regional hospitals as part of the new National Model of Care for Paediatrics. This will ensure excellent communication between units throughout the country which will assure that appropriate children and young people are cared for in a shared care arrangement between the specialist services in Dublin, and by their own local paediatrician close to home. There is strong consensus among doctors, nurses and health and social care professionals across paediatric services to this model of service delivery and it is more family friendly.

? Why is the campus at St James's Hospital the leading location for the new children's hospital?

There are many reasons why co-location of the new children's hospital with a major adult academic teaching hospital was the model recommended by McKinsey (2006). While the new children's hospital will provide secondary clinical care to the local children and young people of the greater Dublin area it also provides tertiary (highly specialist) and national care to the sickest children and young people throughout Ireland.

The new children's hospital and St James's Hospital are both Model 4 hospitals, meaning they have matching levels of service complexity delivered by highly specialist staff. (According to the HSE classification a Model 4 Hospital provides acute surgical care, acute medical care, critical care, tertiary care (specialist care) and in certain locations supra-regional care. A Model 3 Hospital provides 24/7 acute surgical care, acute medical care and critical care.).

St James's Hospital has the widest range of sub specialities and the highest level of clinical complexity of all the adult hospitals in the country and provides a number of national services. The skill and expertise of the clinical staff in the co-located new children's hospital and St James's Hospital match appropriately and these shared skills and expertise are precisely what is required for the care of the most complex and life-threatening conditions with which children from all over Ireland will present to the new children's hospital. There are several specialists who work between St James's and Crumlin hospital.

The co-location with St James's Hospital, Ireland's largest teaching hospital will increase survival rates of Ireland's sickest children suffering from the most complex clinical issues. Co-location with St James's Hospital – and in time tri-location with the redeveloped Coombe Maternity Hospital will facilitate more effective sharing of clinical expertise, knowledge, leveraging of research capabilities and supports the quick and easy transfer of critically ill mum and babies to the adult and children's hospital respectively. As with the centres of excellence established for cancer care, achieving scale and critical mass on a single campus improves clinical outcomes significantly.

? Planning application has been lodged for one of these Paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centres at Connolly Hospital in Blanchardstown. What is the role of the Satellite Centre?

Paediatricians and child health professionals fully accept that best practice involves treating the vast majority of children and young people as close to home as is medically appropriate – and in the majority of instances, this local treatment is delivered on the same day either through out-patient clinics or emergency/urgent care units. At the other end of the spectrum, best practice strongly demonstrates that centralising the most complex care and treatment results in higher survival rates and better clinical outcomes. That is why we are planning a hospital and two satellite centres for local paediatric services in the greater Dublin area.

Therefore, the paediatric OPD and urgent care services in the satellite centres, planned for Connolly Hospital in Blanchardstown and Tallaght Hospital, will play a central role in the delivery of this new model of care for the local child population. These centres will support the hospital in the provision of high quality, safe, accessible and secondary paediatric care to children and young people in the greater Dublin area.

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The Satellite Centres will provide high quality, safe, accessible and secondary general care to children in the greater Dublin area, based on the current and projected child population requirements. Each centre will provide consultant-delivered emergency care, with observation beds (up to 6 hours) and appropriate diagnostics. It is anticipated that the centres will open from 07.30 to 22.00.

? What are the timelines on this project, opening dates for the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite?

A decision from An Bord Pleanála, on the new children's hospital and two satellite centres, is expected within the first quarter of 2016. Subject to planning, construction for the main children's hospital on the campus shared with St James's Hospital will commence in the first half of 2016 and services will start to transition in 2019 moving toward full operations in 2020. The paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Satellite are expected to be completed in late 2017 with services transitioning at that time.

? What hours will the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite operate?

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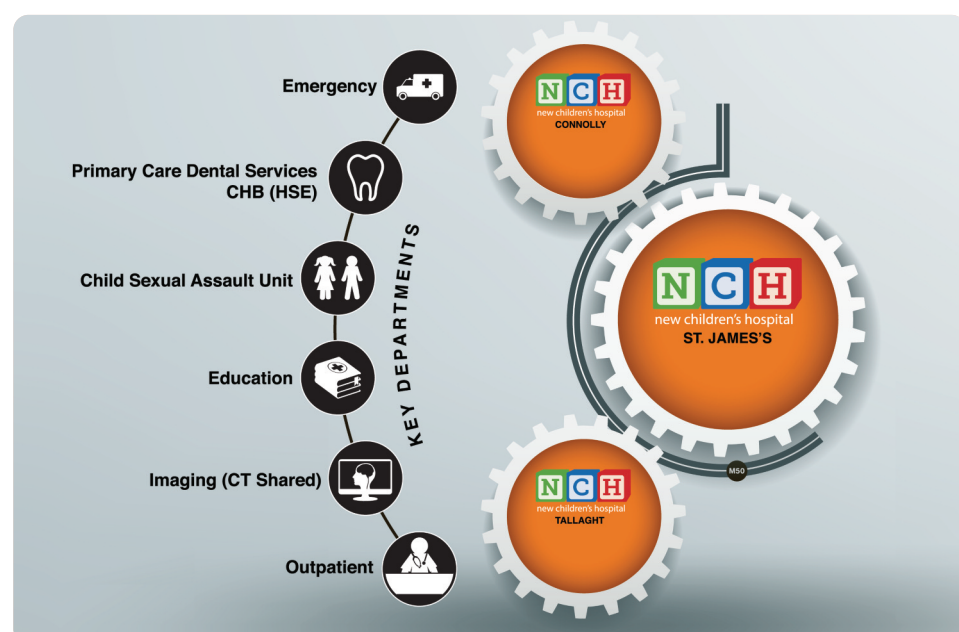
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AERIAL VIEW OF DESIGN FOR NEW CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT ST.JAMES'S HOSPITAL ▲

? What services will be provided in the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centre?

Paediatric OPD & Urgent Care Satellite Centres – Key departments



The model of care for urgent care and outpatient departments has been developed nationally and will be overseen by the National Clinical Programme for Paediatrics and Neonatology Clinical Care Programme, based on international best practice, input by the current clinicians delivering services to Ireland's children. There is a comprehensive list of children's illnesses that are suitable to be treated in Paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Centres, including minor injuries and illnesses, which make up a significant proportion of the referrals to paediatric services.

A project team has been set up under the chair of the Clinical Director, Dr. Ciara Martin, Emergency Medicine Consultant, Tallaght. This project team are responsible for planning and delivering the satellite centres in 2017 which includes the development of care pathway, policies and guidelines for each of the conditions that children will present with. A comprehensive communication package with information leaflets detailing the key departments will be developed with input from parents, GP's and members of the public.

? Will my child get the same care in the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centre?

The vision for the Children's Hospital Group is that every child will receive the same standard of care in both the new children's hospital and the Paediatric OPD & Urgent Care Satellite Centres. Indeed that is our vision nationally and we are working with our colleagues in all acute Paeds units to achieve this objective of a shared clinical network.

It is envisaged that clinical staff will rotate between the new children's hospital and the OPD & Urgent Care Satellite Centres. All staff will have the appropriate level of skills and competencies to meet the needs of the children who present at the national children's hospital or the Paediatric OPD & Urgent Care Satellite Centres. Children that need admission for treatment will be transferred to the new children's hospital and until it is opened to one of the existing hospitals.

? Will ambulances by-pass the Connolly Satellite Centre

Yes. There are currently ongoing discussions with the National Ambulance Service in this regard.



COMPUTER GENERATED VISUAL OF NCH SATELLITE CENTRE AT CONNOLLY HOSPITAL ▲

? How will my child be transferred to the NCH if they need admission?

If your child needs admission, the ambulance service will transport your child to the new children's hospital or until it is opened to one of the existing hospitals.

? How many car parking spaces are being allocated to the new children's hospital?

There will be 1000 parking spaces associated with the new children's hospital. These will include spaces for families and visitors as well as an emergency drop off location. The parking system we are putting in place will enable families to reserve a parking space ahead of arriving to the hospital.

? I hear the roads around St. James's are very congested, how will ambulances get to the site?

The hospital can be reached in 15 minutes from the M50 at off-peak times, this means that it can be reached by the children and families who need to access its clinical care. The ambulance services avail of bus lanes on approach to the campus at St. James's Hospital, including the bus lanes along the N4 Chapelizod bypass, Thomas Street and Emmet Road. In addition, South Circular Road between Con Colbert Road and Suir Road, as well as Parnell Road and Dolphin Road running along the Grand Canal has on street cycle lanes which can be utilised to improve access to the Campus by the ambulance service during peak periods. The details of the construction access routes and projected

? I don't have a car how will I get to and from St James's?

In the first instance sick children living near the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite in Blanchardstown should visit the OPD & Urgent Care Satellite, they will be assessed and only transferred to the new children's hospital or until it is opened to one of the existing hospitals should the need arise. As per current advice with a medical emergency situation, an ambulance should be called.

In terms of visiting patients, from a location perspective St. James's Hospital is central and has better public infrastructure linkages than any other hospital, three LUAS stops serving Heuston and Connolly Stations, six bus routes that pass through the hospital and 3 Dublin Bike Stations. The hospital can be reached in 15 minutes from the M50 at off-peak times, this means that it can be reached by the children and families who need to access its clinical care.

? Will the proposed children's OPD and Urgent Care Centre impact on the access and exit to the Adult Hospital on the Connolly Hospital Campus?

No. The Current pedestrian and vehicular access and exit junction to the Connolly Hospital campus has sufficient capacity to accommodate the proposed children's hospital Satellite Centre. The proposed satellite centre will be located to the east of the existing entrance to the Adult Hospital. The satellite centre will have its own dedicated pedestrian and vehicular set down area.

? Will there be much disruption during the build?

The disruption to the existing hospital facilities is not considered to be significant and would be similar to any new building or refurbishment works that would be undertaken on an acute hospital campus.

? How long will be builders be on site?

The programme for the completion of the works is envisaged to take 18 months.

? Are there any plans for additional access / exit routs from the Connolly hospital site?

There are no plans for additional access/exit routs from the Connolly Hospital site.

Presentation of final designs for the new children's hospital



▲ The Board of Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin presenting the final design of the facilities, from left to right; Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Chairman of the Board; Eilish Hardiman, CEO, Children's Hospital Group; John Pollock, Project Director, and Tom Costello, Chairperson of the NPHDB.



▲ Minister Varadkar, the NPHDB Team and the members of the Youth Advisory Council



▲ John Pollock, Project Director, NPHDB; Dr. Sean Walsh, Interim CEO, Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin; Mona Baker, CEO, Temple Street Children's University Hospital; Minister of State for Primary Care, Mental Health and Disability, Kathleen Lynch TD; Minister for Health Leo Varadkar TD; Eilish Hardiman, CEO, Children's Hospital Group; David Slevin, CEO, Tallaght Hospital in Leinster House

Sharing the Vision

The designs for the new children's hospital and satellite centres were submitted to An Bord Pleanála in August. Pictured at recent information sessions:



Presentation to National Children's Hospital Staff ▲

NEW CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL - INFORMATION CENTRE Now Launched

The National Paediatric Hospital Development Board (NPHDB) has opened a dedicated information centre in Rialto where members of the public can view a physical 3D model of the proposed new children's hospital, the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centres proposed for Tallaght and Blanchardstown, the hospital's Family Accommodation Unit, and the Children's Research and Innovation Centre.

Members of the public will be able to see a 3D model, to review all of the content submitted to An Bord Pleanála in soft copy, as well as access FAQ documents and information boards which detail the various aspects of the new children's hospital project at the new dedicated information centre.

NEW CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL - INFORMATION CENTRE

568 South Circular Road, Rialto, Dublin 8 beside Rialto Credit Union

Opening Times: Monday - Wednesday 11am - 2pm / Thursday 4pm - 7pm / Friday 2pm - 5pm



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