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Dear Tony

Further to correspondence received from you on 12 November 2021, where you outlined your communications with the NHS Scotland team to date, inclusive of their intention to prepare an alternative proposal to their original offering, to provide support for Letterkenny University Hospital for your consideration.

While fully acknowledging the ongoing impact of COVID-19, I am writing to seek further clarity further as to the intended proposal related to the following;

- 1) the expected time lines for receipt of the NHS Scotland team proposal
- 2) the expected timelines for commencement of the required intervention to provide support for Letterkenny University Hospital.

Moreover, I am conscious that a period of time has now passed since the conclusion and publication of HIQA's review. In light of HIQA's findings and given that the intervention from colleagues in NHS Scotland remains delayed, I would be grateful if you could outline any interim supportive measures that have been additionally provided to the hospital to further support leadership, governance and management.

I would be grateful if you could respond in writing by **15 December 2021** to qualityandsafety@hiqa.ie marked for my attention.

Yours sincerely



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