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**Please indicate your sector of involvement/interest**

Acute Care

**Location**

Galway

**1. What changes in models of care and in the way we deliver care are (a) most urgent, and (b) what implications will this have on capacity requirements?**

Care in the community - hospital avoidance.

Integrated care developments

additional community infrastructure plus additional acute beds (short term while primary/community services develop)

**2. How can current capacity be more effectively used?**

Process improvements in hospitals

Separation of elective/emergency

Cohorting by specialty in Hospitals

Increased diagnostics

Increase staffing to allow 5/7 services

reduce delayed discharges

Create funding mechanism for complex patients acutely discharged

Creation of Acute medical floors/Short stay wards in hospitals

Utilisation of all capacity in hospitals with a hospital group

Better information/data to support decision making

**3. What do you consider to be the priorities for capital investment over the next 15 years?**

Primary Care infrastructure

Acute capacity (short term)

ICT

Day services capacity

Equipment - but through managed services