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## Amendment of evidence provided at Budget Estimates Health 21 August 2025

**Dear Secretariat** 

I am writing to you to amend evidence I provided at the Portfolio Committee No. 2- Health Budget Estimates Hearing on Thursday 21 August 2025.

In my evidence to the Committee on page 49 of the uncorrected transcript, following the CHAIR's question, I state that:

"MATTHEW DALY: We do these audits annually across the system. Even the incident that Mrs Carter referred to, we identified that breach, in terms of overdue endoscopies, a month before there was any media attention to it. We identified with the local management and the chief executive that there were over 2,000 breached patients. I'm pleased to say that I can advise that all of those breached endoscopy patients will have been offered their scope by the end of this month. So it has recovered, but it was courtesy of the audit program. The Orange case — because of the public attention, the Minister directed us to undertake an audit. An independent auditor, KPMG, came in and their report is due at the end of the month. But we've picked these up as a routine audit. In terms of the system to hold it centrally, that opportunity comes with the single digital patient record. That is a massive project of having a standard medical record and system right across the State. When we have a standard system across the State, then we'll have line of sight to all this outpatient activity in the same way that we do for planned surgery at the moment.

I wish to clarify that what I intended to say was the 2000 breached patients will have been offered their scope by the end of September. My reference to the "end of this month" was made unintentionally.

I appreciate your consideration of this amendment to correct the evidence. For more information, please contact the Office of Deputy Secretary, System Sustainability and Performance

Yours sincerely

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