

Former Drogheda surgeon Mr. Shine set for early release.

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Mr. Shine was jailed for four years in 2019 for groping seven boys in his care.

It has emerged that a retired surgeon who was convicted of groping a number of children in his care in Drogheda is set for early prison release.

Michael Shine of Ballsbridge, Dublin was jailed for four years in 2019 for sexually assaulting seven boys during medical examinations at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital in Drogheda and at two private clinics in the town on dates between 1971 and 1992.

However, The Irish Sunday Mirror has now learned that Mr. Shine, who was 86 when he was convicted, is preparing for his release from Portlaoise Prison.

Some of his victims have told the paper of their disgust and shock that Mr. Shine could be released from prison as early as next month.

It comes after a multi-million euro compensation deal for over 100 of Mr. Shine's victims was put in doubt last October over a row about legal costs between an insurance company and the Medical Missionaries of Mary, which used to own the hospital.

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