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12th May 2023

Deputy David Cullinane,
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Dublin 2.

PQ 20869/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital-initiated scheduled care cancellations, by appointment type, in quarter 1 and by month for 2023 by hospital group and hospital, in tabular form; and the number for April 2022 and April 2023.

PQ 20870/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of cancer-related appointments and procedures which were cancelled in quarter 1 and by month for 2023, by hospital, for adults and for children, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Response:

In response to your queries above the following information has been provided. Hospital-initiated scheduled care cancellations by Hospital Group, hospital and by appointment type in tabular form for:

- Q1 2023
- January, February, March and April 2023
- April 2022

The current information collected does not have details of the patient condition such as cancer related appointments nor does it separate out details relating to adults and children. It should be noted that data is subject to ongoing validation with Hospitals.

Definition of a hospital initiated inpatient/day case cancellation:

A hospital-initiated cancellation of an outpatient or inpatient/day case procedure is defined as the rescheduling of a patient To Come In (TCI) date by the hospital due to circumstances beyond its control. It is important to note that the cancellations included in the report could represent in some cases patients who have been cancelled on more than one occasion.

Reasons for cancellation of scheduled care appointments:

Hospitals may have to cancel scheduled care appointments due to factors outside their control including the following:

- I. Increased ED attendances and admissions resulting in a requirement for surge inpatient bed capacity.
- II. Unforeseen circumstances e.g., Weather events, infection outbreaks or industrial action.
- III. Sick leave which impacts on service being given at the planned time

Rescheduling hospital appointments:

Hospitals endeavour to provide the patient with as much notice as possible in relation to the cancellation of elective appointments. The National Inpatient, Day Case, Planned Procedure (IDPP) waiting list management protocol 2017 issued by the National Treatment Purchase Fund (NTPF) requires hospitals to reschedule elective care appointments within six weeks of cancellation, subject to patient confirmation regarding their availability to attend. Clinical guidance must be sought when managing and rescheduling patients cancelled by the hospital. This is necessary to ensure that urgent and vulnerable patients are rescheduled appropriately. Patients cancelled by the hospital will not have their waiting list date reset.

I trust that this answers your question.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Trish King', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Trish King
Acute Operations

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Note: Data below relates to weekly hospital cancellations by service area for Q1 2023 (January - March 2023 Inclusive)

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Q1 2023								
	Elective Inpatient Admission	GI Scope (Day case)	Chemotherapy (Day case)	Dialysis (Day case)	All Other Day cases	New Outpatient Appointments	Return Outpatient Appointments	Totals:
Children's Health Ireland	792	25	212	0	670	1,992	7,478	11,169
Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital	6				77	63	115	261
MRH Portlaoise	4	85			89	18	78	274
MRH Tullamore	34	114	0	0	85	50	488	771
Naas General Hospital	6	82	0	0	25	718	1,847	2,678
St. James's Hospital	150	62	0	0	550	993	3,021	4,776
Tallaght University Hospital	64	23	0	0	223	348	1,056	1,714
Dublin Midlands Hospital Group	264	366	0	0	1,049	2,190	6,605	10,474
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	468	26			135	1,142	2,753	4,524
MRH Mullingar	8	105			253	0	1,076	1,442
National Maternity Hospital	1				0	40	13	54
National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh	43				28	48	77	196
National Rehabilitation Hospital	0				0	46	156	202
Our Lady's Hospital Navan	0	0			75	0	0	75
Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital	29				77	365	2,440	2,911
St. Columcille's Hospital	0	0			195	48	23	266
St. Luke's General Hospital Kilkenny	76		0		104	0	0	180
St. Michael's Hospital	183	14			0	44	11	252
St. Vincent's University Hospital	39	0	0	0	27	2,370	7,287	9,723
Wexford General Hospital	3	94	0	0	147	33	142	419
Ireland East Hospital Group	850	239	0	0	1,041	4,136	13,978	20,244
Beaumont Hospital	315	362	0	0	216	746	1,920	3,559
Cavan General Hospital	0	137			71	18	51	277
Connolly Hospital	41	84			19	25	17	186
Louth County Hospital	3	23			5	28	23	82
Monaghan Hospital	0	40			0	35	115	190
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital	38				2	5	28	73
Rotunda Hospital	0				25	102	136	263
RCSI Hospitals Group	397	646	0	0	338	959	2,290	4,630
Galway University Hospitals	152	197	0	0	649	88	259	1,345
Letterkenny University Hospital	56	39			100	81	149	425
Mayo University Hospital	61	55			82	7	7	212
Portlincula University Hospital	20	34			105	112	125	396
Roscommon University Hospital	0	48			207	146	496	897
Sligo University Hospital	62	125	0	0	327	161	282	957
Saolta University Health Care Group	351	498	0	0	1,470	595	1,318	4,232
Cork University Maternity Hospital	11					30	0	41
Kilcreene Regional Orthopaedic Hospital	5				2	20	9	36
Mercy University Hospital	61	81	0		94	209	509	954
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	30		1		101	66	221	419
Tipperary University Hospital	83	151	0		110	139	1,272	1,755
UH Kerry	45	71	0	0	0	137	454	707
UH Waterford	71	7			221	338	457	1,094
South / South West Hospital Group	306	310	1	0	528	939	2,922	5,006
Croom Orthopaedic Hospital	50				9	8	133	200
Ennis Hospital	102	0	0		0	13	102	217
Nenagh Hospital	8	0	0		165	96	271	540
St. John's Hospital Limerick	167	0			0	8	127	302
UH Limerick	7	0	0	0	79	326	2,108	2,520
UMH Limerick	0				0	131	473	604
UL Hospitals Group	334	0	0	0	253	582	3,214	4,383
National Totals:	3,294	2,084	213	0	5,349	11,393	37,805	60,138

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Children's Health Ireland	327	18	90	0	282	1,001	2,998	4,716
Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital					45	13	27	85
MRH Portlaoise					23	4	21	48
Dublin Midlands Hospital Group	53	37	0	0	54	54	347	545
Naas General Hospital	3	8	0	0	4	153	446	614
St. James's Hospital	70	36	0	0	377	332	1,070	1,885
Tallaght University Hospital	22	9	0	0	126	131	403	691
Dublin Midlands Hospital Group	148	90	0	0	629	687	2,314	3,868
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	206	18			57	697	1,549	2,527
MRH Mullingar	0	28			60	0	573	661
National Maternity Hospital	1				0	23	11	35
National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh						49	86	135
National Rehabilitation Hospital	0				0	69	245	314
Ireland East Hospital Group	0	0			0	0	0	0
Our Lady's Hospital Navan	0				0	0	0	0
Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital	9				8	245	1,297	1,559
St. Columcille's Hospital	41	0			10	25	0	76
St. Luke's General Hospital Kilkenny	38		0		0	0	0	38
St. Michael's Hospital		8				1	1	9
St. Vincent's University Hospital	4	0	0	0	1	947	2,636	3,588
Wexford General Hospital	0	11	0		62	0	0	73
Ireland East Hospital Group	299	65	0	0	198	2,056	6,397	9,015
Beaumont Hospital	107	52	0	0	27	221	969	1,376
RCSI Hospitals Group	0	5			0	10	66	81
Cavan General Hospital	0	5			0	10	66	81
Connolly Hospital	5	37			7	13	62	62
Louth County Hospital	15	0			8	18	30	71
Monaghan Hospital	0	0			0	10	68	78
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital	5				0	1	11	17
Rotunda Hospital	0				11	11	23	45
RCSI Hospitals Group	132	94	0	0	53	284	1,167	1,730
Galway University Hospitals	59	81	0	0	170	31	136	477
Saolta University Health Care Group	70	32			186	173	182	643
Letterkenny University Hospital	70	32			186	173	182	643
Mayo University Hospital	59	20			41	6	13	139
Portiuncula University Hospital	13	8			25	51	57	154
Roscommon University Hospital	1	35			67	28	153	284
Sligo University Hospital	41	49	0	0	157	83	113	443
Saolta University Health Care Group	243	225	0	0	646	372	654	2,140
Cork University Maternity Hospital	4					62	0	66
Kilcreene Regional Orthopaedic Hospital	2				1	0	3	6
South / South West Hospital Group	19	32	0		37	63	147	298
Mercy University Hospital	19	32	0		37	63	147	298
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	4		7		60	10	92	173
Tipperary University Hospital	21	50	0		18	53	570	712
UH Kerry	0	0	1	0	0	12	131	144
UH Waterford	17	3			82	113	123	338
South / South West Hospital Group	67	85	8	0	198	313	1,066	1,737
Croom Orthopaedic Hospital	6				2	2	93	103
UL Hospitals Group	9	0	0		0	21	61	91
Ennis Hospital	9	0	0		0	21	61	91
Nenagh Hospital	26	0	0		20	33	96	175
St. John's Hospital Limerick	0	0			0	20	44	64
UH Limerick	0	0	0	0	9	153	782	944
UMH Limerick	0				0	57	180	237
UL Hospitals Group	41	0	0	0	31	286	1,256	1,614
National Totals:	1,257	577	98	0	2,037	4,999	15,852	24,820