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***To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients being treated in Croom hospital in each of the years 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019 -Alan Kelly**

Dear Deputy Kelly,

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.

I have consulted the relevant staff on this matter, please find below the data you have requested regarding the number of patients being treated in Croom Orthopaedic Hospital in each of the years from 2015 and to date in 2019. The data has been broken down into Inpatient discharges, Daycases and Outpatient attendances.

In 2017 a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon retired toward the end of the year, this was a factor in the reduced activity seen in Croom Orthopaedic Hospital during this time. However since February 2019, a new Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon has been appointed. As a result of this appointment we expect the activity in Croom Orthopaedic Hospital to increase again.

I trust this clarifies the position, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



Prof Colette Cowan
Chief Executive Officer
UL Hospitals Group

Croom Orthopaedic Hospital - Inpatient Discharges

Year	Number
2015	1,845
2016	1,750
2017	1,683
2018	1,417*
2019 (February YTD)	202*

Croom Orthopaedic Hospital - Daycases

Year	Number
2015	3,270
2016	3,107
2017	3,041
2018	2,895*
2019 (February YTD)	496*

Croom Orthopaedic Hospital - Outpatient Attendances

Year	Number
2015	11,866
2016	10,581
2017	9,530
2018	10,030*
2019 (February YTD)	1,487*

* Data is preliminary and may be subject to change due to further validation
Data source = HSE BIU Acute Hospitals Management Data Reports