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PQ: 4272/19

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients whose general practitioners have prescribed Lidocaine from 2017 and requested that the treatment be made available under the community drugs scheme in tabular form -Louise O'Reilly.**

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 4272/19), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Please find table of applications received from Medical Practitioners divided into approved and rejected applications. There were 1,829 appeals received by the Medicines Management Programme up until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 of which 1,406 were subsequently approved on provision of further information.

Month	Approved	Rejected
September 2017	65	664
October 2017	81	614
November 2017	131	736
December 2017	217	927
January 2018	181	634
February 2018	438	463
March 2018	235	290
April 2018	283	255
May 2018	232	263
June 2018	257	241
July 2018	229	255
August 2018	236	201
September 2018	187	220
October 2018	237	261
November 2018	235	261
December 2018	131	181

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kieran Healy", written over a horizontal line.

Kieran Healy  
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