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To ask the Minister for Health the status of the projection on the number of medical cards to be provided in 2019; and the likely full year costs or savings in 2019 of a variation from projection -Stephen Donnelly

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 31013/19), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The number of persons profiled to have medical card eligibility at end June 2019 was 1,542,185, while the actual number of persons with eligibility amounted to 1,560,076, which equates to 17,892 more individuals than profiled.

For completeness, the number of persons with GP Visit Card eligibility is 513,678 or a total of 2,231 less than the profiled amount.

The budget variation on MC/GPVC eligibility numbers is +€9.7m to the end of June 2019, versus the 2019 budget allocation.

Yours sincerely,

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