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Ms Jennifer Murnane O' Connor TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 16440 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of cataract operations that were carried out at St Luke's Hospital Kilkenny in 2019 and to date in 2020

Dear Deputy Murnane O' Connor

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 examined the matter and the following outlines the position.


Firstly, I wish to confirm that cataract surgery is not performed in St. Luke's General Hospital, Kilkenny. The Ophthalmology Unit is based at University Hospital Waterford and therefore your parliamentary question has been forwarded to me for attention.

I can advise that the number of cataract operations carried out at UHW were as follows:

Year	Number of Operations
2019	990
2020 (To Date)	227

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,


Grace Rothwell
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