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2nd July 2020

Deputy Louise O'Reilly,
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 13460/20

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for scoliosis surgery; and the length of time they have been waiting for surgery by 3, 6, 12, 18, 24, 32 and more than 48 months in tabular form"

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

I refer to your parliamentary question above to which I have been asked to provide a response.

Below are details as at week end 26th June 2020 on the number of spinal fusion patients and other spinal patients waiting for treatment at CHI Crumlin, CHI Temple Street. As previously advised the breakdown in the reporting of this data has changed for 0-3 months, 3-6 months etc to the format below.

Spinal Fusion Waiting list for Crumlin

| Spinal Fusion | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| | 0-3 Month s | 3-6 Month s | 6-9 Month s | 9-12 Month s | 12-15 Month s | 15-18 Month s | 18+ Month s | Total |
| Active | 7 | 22 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 65 |
| To Come In (TCI) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Suspende d | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| Planned | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Total | 8 | 24 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 3 | 10 | 77 |

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Spinal other Waiting List for Crumlin

| Spinal Other | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| | 0-3 Month s | 3-6 Month s | 6-9 Month s | 9-12 Month s | 12-15 Month s | 15-18 Month s | 18+ Month s | Total |
| Active | 2 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 29 |
| To Come In (TCI) | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Suspended | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| Planned | 7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Total | 12 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 46 |

Spinal Fusion Waiting list for Temple Street

| Spinal Fusion | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| | 0-3 Month s | 3-6 Month s | 6-9 Month s | 9-12 Month s | 12-15 Month s | 15-18 Month s | 18+ Month s | Total |
| Active | 5 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 20 |
| To Come In (TCI) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Suspended | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Planned | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 5 | 12 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 22 |

Spinal other Waiting List for Temple Street

| Spinal Other | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| | 0-3 Month s | 3-6 Month s | 6-9 Month s | 9-12 Month s | 12-15 Month s | 15-18 Month s | 18+ Month s | Total |
| Active | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| To Come In (TCI) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Suspended | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Planned | 13 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Total | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 32 |

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I also attach a copy of the bi-weekly newsletter on Scoliosis Related Surgeries as of 19th June 2020.

I trust this is satisfactory.

Yours sincerely,

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Update on Scoliosis Related Surgeries

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Dedicated Line for Parents

Both CHI at Crumlin and CHI at Temple Street have a dedicated line in place for parents only to deal with queries in relation to their child's scoliosis care plan.

Total Surgeries (including single and multiple stages) performed as of 19th June 2020

| Week Ending 19/06/2020 | CHI at Crumlin | CHI at Temple Street | Cappagh Hospital | Total |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------|
| Number of Spinal Fusion YTD | 37 | 8 | 9 | 54 |
| Number of Other Spinal Procedures YTD | 39 | 31 | 2 | 72 |
| Total | 76 | 39 | 11 | 126 |

CHI at Temple Street

Tel: 01 892 1830
Mon – Fri: 9.00am – 12.00 noon

CHI at Crumlin

Tel: 01 409 6877
Mon – Fri: 9.00am - 12.00 noon

Total number of patients on waiting lists clinically deemed as requiring surgery as of 19th June 2020

| Week Ending 19/06/2020 | Number of patients on waiting list waiting for scoliosis related surgeries Includes active, pre-admit and planned procedures (excluding suspensions*) | |
|------------------------|---|--|
| | Number waiting for Spinal Fusion | Number waiting for other spinal procedures |
| CHI at Crumlin | 70 | 35 |
| CHI at Temple Street | 21 | 31 |
| Cappagh Hospital | 16 | 0 |
| Total | 107 | 66 |

- Suspensions are patients temporarily unavailable due to clinical or family reasons

