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Deputy Thomas Gould Dail Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of cancelled outpatient and inpatient orthopaedic surgeries in the CUH in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, by month in tabular form"

Dear Deputy Gould

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Please note the elective orthopaedic service is managed in the South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital. The data below is in relation to the orthopaedic trauma service. Please note the data includes cancellations by both the hospital and patient. The outpatient appointments were rescheduled to another date if required.

Consultant Outpatient Clinic Appointment Cancellations -													
2019 - 2021(YTD)													
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2019	353	264	245	180	271	249	284	246	311	331	270	241	3245
2020	307	226	468	183	96	83	141	151	144	143	124	95	2161
2021	181	117	163	159									620

Orthopaedic Surgery Cancelled – 2019 to 2021 (YTD)

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2019	1	0	2	5	2	5	7	5	7	4	2	3
2020	3	2	5	1	0	1	5	4	2	0	1	2
2021	0	0	3									

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Gerard O'Callaghan

Interim Chief Executive Officer