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PQ21364/21

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of cross border directive mental health referrals that have been sent to Northern Ireland in each of the years 2016 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of mental health referrals to the treatment abroad scheme made in each of the years 2016 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form; the countries the referrals were to; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of cross border directive mental health referrals that have been sent to the UK in each of the years 2016 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Ward,

Thank you for your PQ's above, which have been forwarded to me for direct reply.

The tables below provides the available information in relation to your enquiries:

Cross Border Directive

No. of reimbursement processed for patient accessing mental health services.		
2019	8	8 patients accessed this care in Northern Ireland
2020	20	18 patients accessed this care in Northern Ireland

^{*}There is no applicable data for the years 2016, 2017, 2018 or to date in 2021.

Treatment Abroad Scheme

	No. of Mental Health referrals through the TAS	Countries referred to:
2016	34	United Kingdom
2017	39	Germany, United Kingdom
2018	39	United Kingdom
2019	56	United Kingdom
2020	44	United Kingdom
2021 (YTD)	10	United Kingdom

If you have any queries, or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0872668759 or via catherinet.donohoe@hse.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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