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Deputy Pauline Tully  
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**PQ49506/21: To ask the Minister for Health the number of girls aged 12 to 13 years of age who were eligible for the HPV vaccination programme from September 2009 to September 2010 that did not avail of a vaccination; the number of first year girls eligible for the HPV vaccination programme from September 2010 to September 2019 that did not avail of a vaccination; the number of first year boys and girls eligible for the HPV vaccination programme from September 2019 to September 2021 that did not avail of a vaccination; the estimated cost of vaccinating all those who were eligible for the HPV vaccination programme but did not avail of a vaccination; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Tully,

The above PQ has been forwarded to my office for direct response to you on same.

Response is as follows:

Information about the number of students eligible for HPV vaccine and the number who were vaccinated since 2009 is available from <https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/vaccinepreventable/vaccination/immunisationuptakestatistics/hpvtdapmenmenacwyuptakestatistics/>

Uptake information for the 2020/2021 academic year is not yet published.

At the request of the Department, HIQA is conducting a HTA on a school-based HPV mop-up vaccination programme for those who were previously eligible and missed out on the vaccine. HIQA has confirmed that the HTA has been added to its work programme for 2021-22.

I trust this clarification will be of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin Kelleher', with a horizontal line underneath.

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