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Deputy Roisin Shorthall Dáil Eireann Dublin 2

RE: To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and young persons on a waiting list for scoliosis surgery; the current wait time; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Shorthall

As of the 5 November 2021, there are a total of 203 patients on the waiting list. There are 128 patients waiting for Spinal Fusion and 75 patients waiting on other spinal procedures.

These numbers includes active, pre-admit and planned procedures and do not include patients who are currently suspended. Surgery dates are prioritised according to clinical need and longest waiting.

Please also see attached the bi-weekly update on scoliosis related surgeries which was published on 1st November 2021.

Your sincerely

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