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Deputy David Stanton TD,
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PQ61225/22* *“To ask the Minister for Health the number of procedures performed under the treatment abroad scheme in 2021 and to date in 2022; the breakdown of the types of procedures performed and their respective costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”*

Dear Deputy Stanton,

Thank you for your parliamentary question referenced above, which has been forwarded to me for direct reply.

The Treatment Abroad Scheme (TAS) allows for an Irish based public hospital consultant to refer a public patient to the public system of another EU/EEA member state, Switzerland or the UK for treatment which is not available within the state through the issue of form E112/S2.


The table below provides a breakdown of the number of applications approved and the associated costs in 2021 and to the end of October 2022.

Year	Applications approved	Total Treatment Costs
2021	488	€27,226,732.42
2022 (Jan-Oct inc)	512	€14,572,031.81

The most common treatments for which patients receive funding pursuant to the TAS are Organ Transplantation, Deep Brain Stimulation, PRRT, SAP Scan and Proton Beam Radiotherapy

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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