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Deputy Pauline Tully,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
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**PQ 5573/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who applied for primary medical certificates and the number of persons approved for primary medical certificates since 19 June 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter**

**- Pauline Tully**

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Dear Deputy Tully,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 5573/22) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

In the full year 2020, a total of 2,803 applications for a primary medical certificate were received, of which 835 were approved. Please note that there were 1,689 applications waiting to be assessed at December 2020.

In the full year 2021 a total of 3,273 applications for a primary medical certificate were received, of which 1,943 were approved. Please note that there were 453 applications waiting to be assessed at December 2021.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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