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"To ask the Minister for Health the CAR-T related expenditure by the HSE and public hospitals since 2015; the breakdown of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

Thank you for your parliamentary question referenced above, which has been forwarded to me for direct reply. I am setting out below a table of the costs of treatment and associated travel in respect of CAR-T treatment accessed abroad via funding from the HSE under the provisions of the Treatment Abroad Scheme.

The table below provides the information you have requested:

Year	Estimated Cost of Treatment	Treatment Cost Paid	Cost of Travel
2019*	€1,123,091.15	€0.00	€636.16
2020	€4,026,428.43	€1,621,669.30	€2,310.90
2021	€8,596,260.52	€3,695,069.74	€8,211.10
2022	€484,147.20	€1,143,773.14	€79.94
Total	€14,229,927.30	€6,460,512.18	€11,238.10

^{*}The applications for CAR-T treatment for funding via the Treatment Abroad Scheme commenced in 2019. Therefore there is no data prior to 2019 can be provided.

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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