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Our Ref: PQ 37444/22

28th July 2022

Deputy David Cullinane Dáil Eireann Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Cullinane

I refer to your recent PQ which has been forwarded to me for attention.

PQ: To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with scoliosis waiting for a procedure; the number waiting greater than 6 months and 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

## Childrens Health Ireland (CHI) Response:

I have followed up with Children's Health Ireland (CHI) and set out here-under the information which you require.

| Active Spinal Inpatient Waiting List as of 08/07/2022 | Active patients at CHI waiting on Spinal surgery | Waiting >6<br>months | Waiting >12<br>months |
|---|--|----------------------|-----------------------|
| CHI at Crumlin Spinal Fusion                          | 74   | 40                   | 13                    |
| CHI at Crumlin Spinal Other                           | 66   | 9                    | 4                     |
| CHI at Temple Street Spinal Fusion                    | 33   | 22                   | 9                     |
| CHI at Temple Street Spinal Other                     | 25   | 8                    | 1                     |
| Totals  | 198  | 79                   | 27                    |

As of 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2022 there were 6 active patients at The National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh (NOHC) waiting on spinal fusions. The NOHC have advised that they have no paediatric patients on their waiting list for Spinal Fusion waiting greater than 6 months as of 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2022. They also have no spinal "other" patients on their waiting list at all.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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