

**Sláinte Leanaí Éireann (SLÉ)**, Herberton, Siúlán San Séamas, Rialto, D08 HP97, Éire **Children's Health Ireland (CHI)**, Herberton, St James's Walk, Rialto, D08 HP97 Ireland

Our Ref: PQ 37445/22

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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 spina bifida waiting for an orthopaedic or urology 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 The National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh (NOHC) and set out here-under the information that you require.

Children with spina bifida waiting for an orthopaedic or urology procedure at CHI:

	CHI at Temple Street	CHI at Crumlin	Total
Spina Bifida patients awaiting Orthpopaedic Procedure as of 11/07/2022	45	9	54
Spina Bifida patients awaiting Urology Procedure as of 11/07/2022	30	2	32

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## Children with spina bifida waiting for an orthopaedic or urology procedure at CHI for greater than 6 months and 12 months:

Spina Bifida Inpatient Waiting List as of 13/07/2022	Waiting >6 months	Waiting >12 months
CHI at Crumlin Spinal Fusion	3	3
CHI at Crumlin Spinal Other	2	1
CHI at Crumlin General	1	3
CHI at Crumlin Urology	2	2
CHI at Temple Street Spinal Fusion	7	5
CHI at Temple Street Spinal Other	1	0
CHI at Temple Street General	26	22
CHI at Temple Street Urology	24	19
Totals	66	55

Please note that the figures included for patients waiting greater than 12 months includes cohort of patients waiting greater than 6 and 12 months.

## Children with spina bifida waiting for an orthopaedic procedure at NOHC:

Spina Bifida Inpatient Waiting List as of 13/07/2022	Patients waiting for Ortho procedure	Waiting >6 months	Waiting >12 months
General Orthopaedic	39	5	1

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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