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Deputy Sean Crowe Dáil Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

PQ 11666/22: To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients treated through the dental treatment services scheme in each year for the past four years, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Crowe,

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

Adult medical card holders have access to dental services under the Dental Treatment Services Scheme (DTSS) through care provided by private dentists that hold DTSS contracts with the HSE.

The total number of patients treated through the DTSS in each year for the past four years is detailed in Table 1.

Year End	Total number of patients treated in the DTSS
2018	389,791
2019	374,408
2020	282,796
2021	264,395

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

Joseph Green

AND, National Oral Health Lead - Operations