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Deputy Mark Ward Dáil Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

PQ 22767/22: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are receiving treatment for eating disorders who were referred for dental treatment in the past three years; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

I wish to advise the Deputy that the HSE does not hold data in the manner that is requested (the number of persons who are receiving treatment for eating disorders who were referred for dental treatment in the past three year). Referrals received by dental services may include a description of the presenting dental condition, e.g. dental erosion, but not the cause.

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

Yours Sincerely,

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