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Deputy Colm Burke Dáil Éireann Kildare Street Dublin 2

**PQ Number:** 54434/22

**Question:** "To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical consultants who are employed under the consultant contract have applied for category C status, by speciality; the number who have received approval by the category C committee of the HSE; the number who are still awaiting; the length of time that each is waiting for a formal letter from the HSE CEO to confirm their approval for the change in contract type; and if he will make a statement on the matter." -Colm Burke

Dear Deputy Burke,

Regarding the above Parliamentary Question, please see response below:

Number of Consultants Applied for and Approved for Type C Contract - 2012 to 2022		
Medical Discipline	Number Applied for Type C Contract	Number Approved
Anaesthesiology	51	38
Medicine	51	43
Obs/Gynae	8	8
Paediatrics	3	3
Pathology	9	5
Radiology	37	31
Surgery	134	113
Total	293	241

Number of Consultants Awaiting Approval and Average Length of Time Waiting			
Year	No. awaiting formal letter	Average Length of Time (weeks) waiting on formal Letter	
2021	14	47	
2022	26	14	

Yours sincerely,

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