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**PQ 52714/22: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on radiation, surgical, and medical oncology waiting lists by appointment type, by location, and by gender, in tabular form; the number as of 1 October 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter**

**PQ 52715/22: To ask the Minister for Health the mean, median, and maximum wait time for radiation, surgical, and medical oncology by appointment type, by location, and by gender in tabular form; the number as of 1 October 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

Data on the organisation, delivery and delay of individual patient treatment (waiting) is data that only each individual hospital can comment on. The National Cancer Control Programme do not have access to such data.

Waiting lists are centrally managed by the National Treatment Purchase Fund (NTPF). The NTPF do collect routine data on treatment waiting lists which is publicly available at [https://www.ntpf.ie/home/inpatient\\_group.htm](https://www.ntpf.ie/home/inpatient_group.htm)

However, this data is for all patients awaiting treatment and does not include any indication as to whether the procedure is related to a cancer diagnosis. Consequently, there is no facility for NCCP to specifically report on cancer patients awaiting surgical treatment

Yours sincerely



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