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Deputy Matt Carthy
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Re PQ Ref 43487/22 –To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients that presented to the north east doctor on call services each month in each of the years 2011 to 2021 and to date in 2022, inclusive in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Deputy Matt Carthy

Dear Deputy Carthy,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

I refer to your email dated 30th August 2022 in relation to the above. I have outlined in tabular format below the number of patients contacts to the north East Doctor on-call Service per month for the years 2011 to 2021 and to 31st July 2022.

NEDOC	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Jan	8890	9742	6932	8954	8997	8033	9110	6738	7028	7133	7156	9866
Feb	5980	9390	6562	7103	7135	6325	7576	6545	6402	6433	6945	6469
Mar	8195	5442	7987	7724	7938	7336	7938	7006	7365	8222	7631	6574
April	7578	6381	4508	7358	7170	7600	6664	6402	6500	7022	6879	7377
May	7480	7057	4725	6651	7307	6641	7268	7123	6425	6418	6818	6728
June	7339	5744	4214	6965	6950	6499	6728	5951	6686	6664	6962	6380
July	6513	6526	4381	5793	5993	6060	6522	5158	5501	5683	5879	6144
Aug		6350	6440	6019	5769	5370	5507	6055	5774	5700	5569	5512
Sept		6722	7104	6545	6338	6319	5773	5643	5336	5698	6308	5480
Oct		9105	7977	7641	6489	6934	7166	6966	5572	6100	6319	6653
Nov		7591	4878	7967	6967	6586	6750	6751	6185	5698	5926	5928
Dec		9412	7927	11,868	10,140	10,966	9736	8957	7593	8290	9730	8346
Total	51,975	84,192	73,635	90,588	87,193	84,669	86,738	79,295	76,367	79,056	82,122	81,457

*From March 2020 Covid-19 had a significant impact on presentations to the NEDOC Service with reduction in contacts due to national Lock-downs with a shift to significant increases at times of high incidences of Covid-19 in the Community due to the numerous variants, i.e. Delta & Omicron

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'A Kennedy'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Anne Kennedy
Acting Chief Officer
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