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Deputy Ivana Bacik, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin

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\*To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who were previously diagnosed with breast cancer and who are waiting for a recommended follow-up mammogram appointment in the South/South West Hospital Group for each of the years 2020, 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023, by each hospital and waiting time period in tabular form\*.

- Deputy Ivana Bacik

Dear Deputy Bacik,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. We have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The two designated Cancer Centres of Excellence providing Breast Cancer Services in the South/South West Hospital Group are Cork University Hospital (CUH) and University Hospital Waterford (UHW).

Patients who were previously diagnosed with breast cancer and who are waiting for a recommended follow up mammogram are called back for their appointment within 12 months of diagnosis.

Due to this, it is not possible to provide the exact information in the format you have requested but please find below the current waiting list numbers for Mammograms post breast cancer diagnosis which have been scheduled in 2023.

UHW 89 CUH 471 I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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