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Ms Violet-Anne Wynne TD  
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PQ 6996/23

To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 620 of 24 January 2023, the number of available slots at a private hospital (details supplied) used by the HSE during the recent surge in activity at UHL, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Violet-Anne Wynne

Details supplied: MAU, Bons Secours, Tralee

Dear Deputy Wynne

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 continue to utilise MAU slots at the Bons Secours Hospital, Tralee as our services remain under pressure due to an unprecedented demand for unscheduled care in the region. Patients requiring admission after their assessment are admitted to the Bons Secours Hospital, Tralee.

Please see below for a breakdown of the number of slots used at the Medical Assessment Unit at the Bons Secours Hospital, Tralee on a weekly basis. This initiative with the Bons Secours Hospital commenced on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Week	Number of slots used
06/01/2023	1
09/01/2023	6
16/01/2023	0 (due to Consultant leave)
23/01/2023	12
30/01/2023	12
06/02/2023	8
13/02/2023	13

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



**Prof Colette Cowan**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
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