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Re:

PQ 8816/23: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who have been previously diagnosed with breast cancer who are currently recommended to undergo regular follow-up mammograms; the number of persons currently waiting for a follow-up mammogram appointment by each waiting time period in each of the designated cancer centres in tabular form.

PQ 8817/23: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who have been previously diagnosed with bowel cancer who are currently recommended to undergo regular follow-up colonoscopies; the number and proportion of this group of persons that are currently waiting for a follow-up colonoscopy appointment by each waiting time period in each of the designated cancer centres in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Ó Cuív,

The National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) collates a subset of summary (aggregate) data related to specific tumours, including data pertaining to rapid access services for people with suspected breast, lung and prostate cancer, and more limited data for a number of other tumour types.

Data on the organisation, delivery and delay of individual patient treatment, diagnostics and follow-up care is patient-level data that only each individual hospital can comment on. The National Cancer Control Programme do not have access to such data.

Yours sincerely



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