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Deputy Denis Naughten
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Leinster House
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PQ 33462/23 - To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 289 of 15 June 2023, if he will provide the spend out-turn for the first six months of 2023 and the corresponding activity data and numbers awaiting appointment at the end of June 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Naughten,

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.

As was previously advised in PQ 28988/28, the HSE developed an Interim Model of Care (MoC) for Long COVID which was finalised in September 2021. The MoC set out a framework for the provision of services and supports spanning General Practice, Community Services, Acute Hospitals and Mental Health Services. It recommended the development of six Long COVID clinics, eight Post-Acute COVID clinics and one tertiary referral neurocognitive clinic for those with complex neurocognitive/neuropsychological symptoms.

The resources and personnel required for each of these clinics was identified and the HSE have worked closely with clinicians and senior management at each site to map existing resources against what was outlined within the Model.

Based on the posts recruited to date for long and post covid clinics in acute hospitals, the spending out-turn for the first 6 months of 2023 is €3,256,492.

The activity data from January – May 2023 including numbers waiting appointments is set out in table 1 below. Please note: data is collected one month in arrears.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Catherine Clarke
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Table 1
Long Covid Data January - May 2023

Hospital	Clinic	New patients Jan-May 2023	Repeat patients Jan-May 2023	Awaiting appointments at end of May 2023
St James	Long COVID	329	367	0
	Post COVID			
CUH	Long COVID	Not available		
	Post COVID			
UHL	Long COVID	24	6	0
	Post COVID			
GUH	Long COVID	244	351	38
	Post COVID			
Beaumont	Long COVID	360	124	91
Connolly	Post COVID	276	213	34
Tallaght	Post COVID	379	268	219
MMUH	Post COVID	63	95	2
Letterkenny	Post COVID	Not operational		
SVUH	Long COVID	352	502	85
Totals		2,027	1,926	469