



Ref: PQ 35318/23

20<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Deputy Mark Ward**  
**Dáil Eireann**  
**Dublin 2**

Dear Deputy Ward

I refer to your below parliamentary question which has been forwarded to me for attention. Firstly, please accept my apologies for the delay in issuing a response.

**PQ 35318/23: To ask the Minister for Health the number of young people who presented to emergency departments with mental health-related issues in each of the years 2019 to 2022 and to date in 2023; the numbers that were accepted; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**Additional information supplied: To ask the Minister for Health the number of *total attendances at all Emergency Departments* of people *under 18* and the number who *were admitted to hospital* with mental health-related issues in each of the years 2019 to 2022 and to date in 2023; *by age and by Hospital/Hospital Group*; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**Children's Health Ireland (CHI) Response:**

Please find set out on the attached documents the information that you require from Children's Health Ireland (CHI).

Yours sincerely

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