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Deputy Holly Cairns Dail Eireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

To ask the Minister for health the current wait times for surgery in Cork University Dental School and Hospital; the number of individuals on the waiting list and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Cairns

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The waiting list for dental surgery is approximately 2 years and 6 months long. Work is being undertaken to resume the service as soon as possible. It is anticipated that the improved arrangements will be implemented and dental operations under general anaesthetic will resume by the end of August.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely.

Mr. David Donegan

Chief Executive Officer