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To ask the Minister for Health the number of new applicants to the national HIV PrEP programme since the programme was established, by clinic and year, in tabular form.

Deputy Shortall,

Thank you for your question to the Minister for Health, which was forwarded to my office to respond to you directly.

The Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme (SHCPP), HSE Health and Wellbeing, receives quarterly reports from the Primary Care Reimbursement Scheme (PCRS) on reimbursements made to community pharmacies for dispensing free PrEP medication to PrEP users. This data is provided nationally and is not available by clinic.

To date, 5,108 individuals received PrEP for the first time (filled their first ever prescription for PrEP). The annual breakdown is presented in the table below.

		Nov/Dec 2019	Annual 2020	Annual 2021	Annual 2022	Q1 2023	Q2 2023
\	On PrEP for the first time (first ever PrEP prescription)	346	1433	1761	1240	324	328

Yours Sincerely

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