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PQ26821/23*

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of people who have availed of the Northern Ireland planned healthcare scheme since it commenced in 2021, including a breakdown of the type of treatment received, and the hospital where treatment was received, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of people from each county who have availed of the Northern Ireland planned healthcare scheme since it commenced in 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Burke,

Thank you for your parliamentary question referenced above, which has been forwarded to me for direct reply.

The below tables provide the available data in relation to your request.

Activity	2021	2022	Jan-Mar 2023
No. of forms issued by the NCP	2675	2,676	751
No. of queries to the NCP*	4894	2,213	590
No. of applications for Prior authorisation approved	1187	1,014	248
No. of reimbursements processed**	837	2,999	992
Cost of reimbursement processed	€4,046,742.86	€11,349,248.40	€3,738,110.32
Costs levied by NI private providers for healthcare as reimbursed	£4,476,605.53	£12,761,999.00	£4,193,556.04

^{*}Data after March 2023 has currently not been collated.

NIPHS: Number of Reimbursement by County of Applicant

County	2021	2022	Jan-Mar 2023	
Donegal	331	890	258	
Cork	136	380	125	
Dublin	107	240	85	
Monaghan	104	207	73	
Louth	60	110	36	
Kerry	55	110	41	
Cavan	45	101	34	
Wexford	43	72	32	
Tipperary	32	63	22	
Meath	31	96	25	
Kildare	26	79	29	
Clare	25	39	17	
Galway	24	84	22	
Westmeath	20	50	26	
Longford	18	43	16	
Wicklow	18	36	12	
Leitrim	16	56	18	
Mayo	13	49	15	
Sligo	13	31	15	
Kilkenny	12	36	9	
Laois	12	37	13	
Roscommon	11	45	17	
Offaly	11	37	18	
Waterford	8	47	14	
Carlow	8	27	10	
Limerick	8	34	10	
Grand Total		2,999	992	

Specialties Accessed In Northern Ireland

	2021 S	pecialities Most Acc	essed in Northerr	Ireland	
NI Top 3 Outpatient Specialities & Numbers		NI Top 3 Day case Specialities & Numbers		NI Top 3 Inpatient Specialities & Numbers	
Orthopaedics	1,415	Ophthalmology	889	Orthopaedics	619
Ophthalmology	803	Orthopaedics	149	ENT	53
ENT	252	Vascular	32	Gynae	48

	2022 S	pecialities Most Access	ed in Northern	Ireland	
NI Top 3 Outpatient Specialities & Numbers		NI Top 3 Day case Specialities & Numbers		NI Top 3 Inpatient Specialities & Numbers	
Orthopaedics	1606	Ophthalmology	1119	Orthopaedics	698
Ophthalmology	996	Orthopaedics	126	ENT	68
ENT	270	Vascular	57	Gynaecology	45

	Jan-Mar 20	23 Specialities Most Ac	cessed in North	ern Ireland	-54 15-4.11
NI Top 3 Outpatient Specialities & Numbers		NI Top 3 Day case Specialities & Numbers		NI Top 3 Inpatient Specialities & Numbers	
Orthopaedics	485	Ophthalmology	314	Orthopaedics	244
Ophthalmology	281	Orthopaedics	31	ENT	20
ENT	85	Vascular	19	General Surgery	14

If you have any queries, or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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