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PQ 28990/23 - To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 812 of 18 October 2022, if he will outline the metrics at each clinic in 2022 including the number of new patients seen and the number waiting at the end of the year; the corresponding figures for 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Denis Naughten

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.

In response to the need to provide follow up support and care for patients experiencing prolonged signs and symptoms of Covid-19 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 neuro-cognitive/neuropsychological symptoms.

The primary referral pathway for patients suffering from the symptoms of Long-COVID are from their GP to the clinics set up under the MoC in the acute hospitals.

Table 1 below details the referral and treatment metrics in these clinics for 2022 and 2023 year to date.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

**Brian Dunne, General Manager,
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Table 1
Long Covid Clinics Activity 2022 and 2023 - PQ 28990 corrected data

Hospital	Clinic	Referrals rec'd 2022	new patients seen 2022	repeat patients seen 2022	awaiting appts end 2022	referrals recd 2023 (based on latest data)	new patients seen 2023	repeat patients seen 2023	awaiting appts April 2023	Latest Data Available
St James	Long COVID	213	217	240	N/A	129	103	122	N/A	May-23
	Post COVID									
CUH	Long COVID	56	41	no data	52	no data available			n/a	
	Post COVID									
UHL	Long COVID	no data	no data	no data	24	34	20	6	23	Apr-23
	Post COVID									
GUH	Long COVID	155	162	242	60	40	71	89	53	Apr-23
	Post COVID									
Beaumont	Long COVID	146	254	57	83	100	92	46	105	Apr-23
James Conn	Post COVID	210	210	109	103	47	45	68	64	Apr-23
Tallaght	Post COVID	258	379	145	282	89	119	123	219	May-23
MMUH	Post COVID	27	49	77	1	22	13	11	0	May-23
Letterken	Post COVID	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
SVUH	Long COVID	423	217	293	158	162	114	170	95	May-23
Totals		1488	1529	1163	763	623	577	635	559	