

## Midlands Regional Hospital Tullamore

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Deputy Patricia Ryan Dáil Eireann Leinster House Dublin 2

RE: PQ 21015 23

Subject: To ask the Minister for Health the number of surgery's cancelled in Tullamore Hospital in January, February and March 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ryan,

Further to your recent correspondence regarding surgeries cancelled in Tullamore Hospital in January, February and March 2023. In response to your queries above the following information has been provided in tabular form.

The main reason for cancellation during this period was the increased unscheduled demand in MRHT.

MRHT endeavours to provide the patient with as much notice as possible concerning the cancellation of elective appointments and aim to reschedule within six weeks in line with national wait list protocols. Clinical guidance is sought when managing and rescheduling patients cancelled by the hospital to ensure that urgent and vulnerable patients are rescheduled appropriately.

Trusting this clarifies your request.

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Yours sincerely,

Catriona McDonald General Manager