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**PQ 33350/24**

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of adverse incidents or equipment failures relating to national ambulance service defibrillators in the south east in each of the past three years. -David Cullinane**

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for response.

Year	Adverse Incidents		Equipment Failures	
	Number	Comment	Number	Comment
2022	0		2	Transmission failure associated with LP15
2023	0		1	Battery Failure
2024	0		9	Battery Failures/Damage
			18	Difficulties in Capturing ECG
			4	Transmission of ECG Failures (phone network)
			4	Physical Damage issues
			3	Pad Faults
			1	Printer Fault

Since July 2023, NAS has introduced an additional 300 (approx.) defibrillators. The number of defibrillator failures in 2024 relate to the introduction of a new defibrillator model. NAS continue to engage with the supplier to ensure that no further failures occur.

I hope this information is helpful.

Ciaran McCullagh  
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