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Deputy Mark Ward

Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

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**Re: PQ ref 25514/24** – *To ask the Minister for Health if elective procedures in a hospital (details supplied) are being cancelled as day surgeries are being used for accident and emergency cases; how many have been cancelled because of this in the past 6 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter.*

Dear Deputy Ward,

From 1<sup>st</sup> January to 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024, there were 314 elective procedure cancellations in our Day Surgery Unit due to an increased volume of admissions from our Emergency Department and the requirement for the Day Surgery Unit for surge capacity to accommodate these patients.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Aisling Collins

Interim Chief Operations Officer