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Mr. Duncan Smith T.D.

Re: Question no: 23196/24

***To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant ophthalmologists based at South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital in the years of 2022, 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form**

Dear Deputy Smith,

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.

We have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

Year	No. of WTE Consultant Ophthalmologists
2022	5
2023	Jan – Sept: 5wte, Oct – Dec: 6 wte
2024	7 wte

I trust that this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Helen Donovan
Chief Executive Officer