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30th April 2025

Mr Johnny Guirke TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 18900 – To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people triaged as NON URGENT who attended a symptomatic breast disease clinic; the proportion who were offered an appointment in University Hospital Waterford, now managed by Dublin and South East Hospital Group within 12 weeks of the date of receipt of a letter of referral in the cancer office, in each quarter from 2016 to 2024, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Guirke

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

I set out hereunder the requested data pertaining to patients triaged as NON URGENT who attended the Symptomatic Breast Disease Clinic at University Hospital Waterford.

I trust the above is satisfactory but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,


Ben O'Sullivan
General Manager
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	Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		
Year	Appointments Offered	Within Time Frame	Proportion	Appointments Offered	Within Time Frame	Proportion	Appointments Offered	Within Time Frame	Proportion	Appointments Offered	Within Time Frame	Proportion
2016	358	177	49.44%	405	110	27.16%	425	89	20.94%	329	80	24.32%
2017	266	108	40.60%	285	101	35.44%	287	100	34.84%	284	104	36.62%
2018	338	119	35.21%	296	97	32.77%	257	67	26.07%	371	59	15.90%
2019	249	43	17.27%	286	69	24.13%	250	57	22.80%	225	67	29.78%
2020	201	47	23.38%	3	1	33.33%	39	23	58.97%	305	51	16.72%
2021	58	44	75.86%	467	53	11.35%	467	26	5.57%	561	8	1.43%
2022	473	17	3.59%	554	25	4.51%	621	469	75.52%	537	535	99.63%
2023	504	504	100%	525	525	100%	626	626	100%	554	554	100%
2024	555	555	100%	543	543	100%	538	538	100%	581	581	100%

Patients Triaged as Non Urgent