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Mr. Johnny Guirke T.D.
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Re: Parliamentary Question 5622/25 To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people triaged as urgent who attended a symptomatic breast disease clinic; and the proportion who were offered an appointment in each of the relevant hospitals managed by RCSI Hospital Group within ten working days of the date of receipt of a letter of referral in the cancer office in each quarter from 2016 to 2024, in tabular form. -Johnny Guirke

Parliamentary Question 5629/25 To ask the Minister for Health the total number of persons triaged as non-urgent who attended a symptomatic breast disease clinic, and the proportion who were offered an appointment in each of the relevant hospitals managed by RCSI 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. -Johnny Guirke

Dear Deputy Guirke,

HSE Dublin and North East 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. Having reviewed the matter, the following outlines the position.

Please see below table outlining the total number of people triaged as urgent who attended a symptomatic breast disease clinic in The Mater Misericordiae University Hospital and the number of people who attended or were offered an appointment within the national target per quarter in the years requested;

| | 2016 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
|----------------------|---------|------|------|------|------|
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 874 | 879 | 862 | 816 | 3431 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 840 | 842 | 862 | 816 | 3360 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 96% | 96% | 100% | 100% | 98% |
| | 2017 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 882 | 748 | 712 | 849 | 3191 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 878 | 653 | 176 | 514 | 2221 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 100% | 87% | 25% | 61% | 70% |
| | 2018 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 868 | 907 | 901 | 852 | 3528 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 826 | 280 | 278 | 835 | 2219 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 95% | 31% | 31% | 98% | 63% |
| | 2019 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 750 | 853 | 841 | 928 | 3372 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 460 | 224 | 318 | 299 | 1301 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 61% | 26% | 38% | 32% | 39% |
| | 2020 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 840 | 589 | 869 | 807 | 3105 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 791 | 363 | 256 | 330 | 1740 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 94% | 62% | 29% | 41% | 56% |
| | 2021 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 877 | 975 | 1052 | 940 | 3844 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 275 | 190 | 253 | 255 | 973 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 31% | 19% | 24% | 27% | 25% |
| | 2022 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 1018 | 1025 | 1067 | 1061 | 4171 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 262 | 763 | 992 | 890 | 2907 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 26% | 74% | 93% | 84% | 70% |
| | 2023 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 956 | 965 | 858 | 465 | 3244 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 946 | 942 | 722 | 283 | 2893 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 99% | 98% | 84% | 61% | 89% |
| | 2024 Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1A INCLUDED | 741 | 991 | 1083 | 736 | 3551 |
| URGENT WITHIN TARGET | 266 | 245 | 273 | 253 | 1037 |
| % MEETING TARGET | 36% | 25% | 25% | 34% | 29% |

Please see below table outlining the total number of people triaged as non-urgent who attended a symptomatic breast disease clinic in The Mater Misericordiae University Hospital and the number of people who attended or were offered an appointment within the national target per quarter in the years requested;

| | 2016 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 817 | 679 | 770 | 842 | 3108 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 635 | 402 | 400 | 572 | 2009 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 78% | 59% | 52% | 68% | 65% |
| | 2017 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 632 | 618 | 603 | 503 | 2356 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 484 | 335 | 317 | 184 | 1320 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 77% | 54% | 53% | 37% | 56% |
| | 2018 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 533 | 448 | 464 | 756 | 2201 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 194 | 232 | 254 | 358 | 1038 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 36% | 52% | 55% | 47% | 47% |
| | 2019 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 645 | 639 | 698 | 874 | 2856 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 390 | 395 | 405 | 479 | 1669 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 60% | 62% | 58% | 55% | 58% |
| | 2020 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 755 | 43 | 818 | 695 | 2311 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 631 | 43 | 662 | 666 | 2002 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 84% | 100% | 81% | 96% | 87% |
| | 2021 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 491 | 619 | 826 | 604 | 2540 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 337 | 230 | 429 | 424 | 1420 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 69% | 37% | 52% | 70% | 56% |
| | 2022 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 425 | 534 | 603 | 505 | 2067 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 420 | 512 | 530 | 473 | 1935 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 99% | 96% | 88% | 94% | 94% |
| | 2023 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 579 | 558 | 711 | 660 | 2508 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 579 | 558 | 706 | 660 | 2503 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% |
| | 2024 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| KPI 1B INCLUDED | | 612 | 290 | 485 | 324 | 1711 |
| NON URGENT WITHIN TARGET | | 608 | 213 | 423 | 305 | 1549 |
| % MEETING TARGET | | 99% | 73% | 87% | 94% | 91% |

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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