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To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people who attended a prostate rapid access clinic; the proportion who were offered an appointment in each of the relevant hospitals managed by South/South West 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.

Dear Deputy McGreehan

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.

Of note the key performance indicators for Rapid Access Prostate is based on 20 days so the data below reflects this.

Count of Date of Attendance to Prostate Clinic					
2016 - 2024	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Grand Total
2016	44	62	31	44	181
Breach	39	53	27	43	162
Within KPI	5	9	4	1	19
2017	142	127	112	115	496
Breach	123	78	73	55	329
Within KPI	19	49	39	60	167
2018	126	88	110	88	412

Breach	38	9	72	20	139
Within KPI	88	79	38	68	273
2019	66	141	87	116	410
Breach	35	88	32	90	245
Within KPI	31	53	55	26	165
2020	93	78	110	97	378
Breach	64	58	94	75	291
Within KPI	29	20	16	22	87
2021	75	102	67	98	342
Breach	52	84	57	84	277
Within KPI	23	18	10	14	65
2022	195	171	144	109	619
Breach	175	150	126	97	548
Within KPI	20	21	18	12	71
2023	133	190	186	137	646
Breach	116	161	116	14	407
Within KPI	17	29	70	123	239
2024	151	120	108	125	504
Breach	2	7	53	13	75
Within KPI	149	113	55	112	429
Grand Total	1025	1079	955	929	3988

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Deirdre O'Keeffe
Interim Chief Executive Officer