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Mr. Paul McAuliffe T.D.
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question 7252/25 *“To ask the Minister for Health the number of people waiting to see an orthopaedic consultant in the Mater Hospital; the number of those waiting for six months or more; the number of those waiting for one year or more; and when they expect waiting times to be reduced.”*

Dear Deputy McAuliffe,

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 number of patients on the orthopaedic waiting list in The Mater Misericordiae University Hospital in the timeframes requested. Please note that some of these patients will have received an appointment date.

	6-12 months	12 months +
No. of Patients	846	274

Please see link below to find information on the total number of public patients on Hospital waiting lists nationwide and how long they are waiting. You can also see a breakdown of waiting lists by hospital and speciality:

<https://www2.hse.ie/services/activity-performance-data/waiting-for-care/waiting-lists/national/>

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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