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Thomas Gould TD

Re: Question No 36930/25

* To ask the Minister for Health the number of people currently awaiting an appointment at the regional eye centre in the south Infirmary and the average waiting time

Dear Deputy Gould,

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.

Ophthalmology Outpatient Waiting Times

Months Waiting	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	12-15	15-18	18-21	21-24	24-36	36-48	48+
	1609	1031	796	1041	818	653	403	326	735	226	6

Total number of patients waiting for an outpatient appointment = 7644

Inpatient & Daycase Waiting List

Months Waiting	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	12-15	15-18	18-24
	364	71	17	2	1	5	0

Total number of patients waiting for a procedure = 460

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