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PQ2811/22 To ask the Minister for Health the number of frontline personnel whole-time equivalent in the National Ambulance Service at the end of each year since 2016; the number of additional personnel who are expected to be recruited in 2022; and the overall increases in personnel in whole-time equivalent terms that is projected for 2022, in tabular form. - John Lahart

PQ2812/22 To ask the Minister for Health the plans that are in place for development of the National Ambulance Service over the next five years. - John Lahart

PQ2813/22 To ask the Minister for Health the number of additional staff whole-time equivalent that will be required by the National Ambulance Service over the next five years; the estimated full-year cost of recruiting same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - John Lahart

PQ2815/22 To ask the Minister for Health the number of emergency ambulances currently in service according to the year they entered service; the number of intermediate care ambulances currently in service by the year they entered service; the number of rapid response vehicles currently in service by the year in which they entered service and the HSE region in which they are based in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - John Lahart

Dear Deputy Lahart,

The National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions which you submitted to the Minister for response.

The number of frontline personnel whole-time equivalents from December 2016 to September 2021 are as follows:

	WTE Dec 2016	WTE Dec 2017	WTE Dec 2018	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Sep 2021
Ambulance Services	1,444	1,559	1,595	1,631	1,669	1,677
National Ambulance Service College	167	123	120	103	117	147
National Emergency Operations Centre	117	138	135	157	161	153
Total Numbers	1,728	1,820	1,850	1,891	1,947	1,977

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Service Plan for 2022 has yet to be approved by the Minister for Health and published. Following publication, NAS will know what new developments will be supported in 2022.

NAS has developed a five-year Strategy to inform service development and investment priorities over the next five years. This draft Strategy is now being considered by the HSE and high level indicative costings are in development. Where approved, the Strategy will be submitted to the Minister for Health for consideration. Such a strategy will inform submissions to the annual estimates process each year, starting in 2023, the submissions process for which commences in Q3 2022.

The capacity of the NAS was last reviewed in 2014 and since then, over 500 staff have been recruited. However, recruitment to the NAS is being outpaced by demand for our services. This surge in demand has come at a time when staff are also working hard to support HSE COVID Testing Programme.

It is worth noting that there is no ready supply of Paramedics in Ireland and NAS for the most part must educate their own workforce in their own college. The Paramedic programme is degree level, i.e. four academic years undertaken over three calendar years. There are currently over 100 Student Paramedics at different stages of the programme right now. At this time, NAS estimate a requirement for an additional 90 emergency ambulances on duty every day which reflects a requirement for approx. 1,100 extra staff. The pace of predicted growth in demand might suggest 2,000 extra staff are required by 2028.

The outcome of the National Demand and Capacity Analysis is expected by the end of Q1 2022 and will then inform the development of a Workforce Plan in Q2 2022 which will inform the estimates submission for new development funding in the National Service Plan 2023 and each year thereafter.

The attached pages relate to the vehicles in service as requested.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



William Merriman
Deputy Director, National Ambulance Service

Registration Number	Vehicle Type	Ambulance Area ID
161D46947	Emergency Ambulance	Leinster
162D4090	Emergency Ambulance	Leinster
162D4202	Emergency Ambulance	Leinster
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