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Deputy Sorca Clarke Dáil Eireann Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Clarke

I refer to your recent PQ which has been forwarded to me for attention.

PQ: To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who are awaiting an appointment with a genetic counsellor in the department of clinical genetics, Crumlin Children's Hospital in each of the years 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form.

**Childrens Health Ireland (CHI) Response:** 

NB: The 2021 waiting list is an estimate as the information is currently not obtainable from CHI's Administration system.

Department Clinical Genetics Clinical Activity	2020	2021	2022 to date
Patients seen by genetic counsellors	1719	2128	910
% telephone appointments	50%	56%	42%
Waiting list genetic counsellors	846	900 approx	731

I trust this is of assistance to you.

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