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Re: PQ 48443/23– Termination of Pregnancy Figures

"To ask the Minister for Health to provide in tabular form the number of abortions performed at the Ireland East Hospital Group, broken down by category of the 2018 Health Act (ss. 9-12) for the years 2019 to 2023 inclusive; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Nolan,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking the number of Termination of pregnancy performed at Ireland East Hospital Group.

I have had this matter examined, data on termination is collated by the Department of Health via the notification process. The Minister for Health must prepare a report on the notifications received in a given year not later than 30 June the following year and lay it before the Houses of the Oireachtas. This report may then be published. The first four reports, for 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 can be found on the links below.

https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/b410b-health-regulation-of-termination-of-pregnancy-act-2018-annual-report-on-notifications-2019/

https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/ef674-health-regulation-of-termination-of-pregnancy-act-2018-annual-report-on-notifications-2020/

https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/ce61b-notifications-in-accordance-with-section-20-of-thehealth-regulation-of-termination-of-pregnancy-act-2018-annual-report-2021/

https://www.gov.ie/en/press-release/9851a-fourth-annual-report-on-notifications-inaccordance-with-the-health-regulation-of-termination-of-pregnancy-act-2018/

Material published on information contained in notifications is restricted to limit the risk of identification. The HSE is in the process of developing data sets and frameworks for monitoring and evaluating termination of pregnancy services nationally.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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