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Deputy Sorca Clarke TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

**Re PQ 50541 23:** To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding allocated for the provision of the Primary Childhood Immunisation Programme in each of the years 2021 to 2023, in tabular form.on the matter.

Dear Deputy Clarke,

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. Your PQ above has been referred to me for response.

Please see **Appendix 1 Table 1** below which sets out the cost of vaccines purchased for Primary Childhood Immunisation for the years 2021 and 2022. The information was provided by the National Immunisation Office. In determining the purchases for 2023 the birth cohort of 2022 is used and therefore the estimated expected expenditure for the year 2023 is €24m annually.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>sarah.anderson1@hse.ie</u> or tel: 087 9423319.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix 1 to PQ 50541 23

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## Table 1

Cost of vaccines purchased	2021	2022
Primary Childhood	€24m	€24m

Source: HSE National Immunisation Office