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Mr Éamon Ó Cúiv TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 15332 To ask the Minister for Health the number of recipients of the HSE treatment abroad scheme aged 0-24 years of age who have travelled outside of Ireland for specialised cancer treatment not available in Ireland in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023; the total number of applicants to the scheme seeking to avail of specialised cancer treatment for each of those years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Ó Cúiv,

Thank you for your parliamentary question referenced above, which has been forwarded to me for direct reply.

The following table outlines the number of individuals who have applied for cancer treatment under the Treatment Abroad Scheme. The table also outlines the number of individuals who were approved, as a result of their eligibility and/or clinical suitability, for cancer treatment under the Treatment Abroad Scheme.

Cancer Treatment under Treatment Abroad Scheme aged 0 to 24 2019 to 2023			
Year	Approved Patients N	Declined Patients N	Number of Applications N
2019	57	4	61
2020	34	2	36
2021	28	4	32
2022	23	5	28
2023	30	2	32
Total	172	17	189

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact the National Contact Point office on 056 77 84546.

Yours sincerely,

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