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By email to alan.kelly@oireachtas.ie

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Ref: PQ 9253/24

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that availed of HSE anti-smoking courses within CHO 3 and 5 in 2023 and to-date in 2024, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Kelly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above referenced Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health. The question concerned was referred to Strategy and Research, HSE, for review and direct response as the work of the Tobacco Free Ireland Programme (TFIP) is part of that function.

Our response to the PQ referenced above is set out below.

Stop Smoking Services are delivered through various channels in Ireland; community based stop smoking clinics, hospital based stop smoking clinics, stop smoking support groups and the national QUIT Line phone service. Nationally, over 19,000 people availed of support to stop smoking in 2023.

The HSE National Service Plan includes KPIs for stop smoking services annually:

- **KPI 1** - No. of smokers who received face to face or telephone intensive cessation support from a cessation counsellor.
- **KPI 2** - % of smokers on cessation programmes (i.e. those who set a quit date and enter a standard treatment programme) who were quit at four weeks.

A summary of service delivery in CHOs 3 and 5 for 2023 and to date in 2024 is set out below. The data provided was extracted from the QuitManager patient management system for stop smoking services. Please note, 2023 data is provisional and will not be finalised until submission to the

Business Information Unit on the 14th April. Service data for 2024 is current activity and therefore subject to change.

CHO 3	2023 (KPI 1)	Set Quit Date	Quit at 4 weeks (KPI 2)
CHO 3 Community Services	1,019	640	376
University Hospital Limerick	36	11	7
University Maternity Hospital Limerick	5	3	1
Nenagh Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
St John's Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
Croom Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
Total	1,060	654	384 (58%)
CHO 5			
CHO 5 Community Services	1,723	1,018	641
Tipperary University Hospital	36	14	0
University Hospital Waterford	No Service	No Service	No Service
Wexford General Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
St Luke's Hospital Kilkenny	No Service	No Service	No Service
Total	1,759	1,032	641 (62%)

*Data extracted from QuitManager on the 11/03/2024 at 14:28

	2024 (KPI 1)	Set Quit Date	Quit at 4 weeks (KPI 2)
CHO 3			
CHO 3 Community Services	239	174	Not yet available
University Hospital Limerick	44	14	Not yet available
University Maternity Hospital Limerick	2	2	Not yet available
Nenagh Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
St John's Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
Croom Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
Total	285	190	
CHO 5			
CHO 5 Community Services	457	327	Not yet available
Tipperary University Hospital	8	4	Not yet available
University Hospital Waterford	No Service	No Service	No Service
Wexford General Hospital	No Service	No Service	No Service
St Luke's Hospital Kilkenny	No Service	No Service	No Service
Total	465	331	

* Data extracted from QuitManager on the 11/03/2024 at 14:28

I hope this information is of assistance to you. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.



Martina Blake

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