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PQ 30236/24 *“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of applications for assistive technology and specialised seating made to the central remedial clinic in each of the years 2020 to 2023, in tabular form; the number that were successful in each of these years; the number that were unsuccessful in each of these years; and the timeframe for a review of a decision not to approve a request for assistive technology and specialised seating by the central remedial clinic.”*
Pauline Tully, TD

Dear Deputy Tully,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Central Remedial Clinic (CRC) referral meetings for Assistive Technology and Specialised Seating (ATSS) take place weekly. The timeframe for correspondence back to referrers is approximately 2 weeks. The below tables represent the number of applications for ATSS in each of the years 2020 to 2023 broken down by category.

2023	Clontarf	Clondalkin	Waterford	Limerick	Total
Referrals for New Clients	73	71	95	90	329
External referrals for clients known to the service	97	178	125	247	647
Internal referrals (Within CRC) for Clients Known to the service	16	91	3	16	126
Referrals Not Accepted	6	7	4	8	25
Total Referrals Received	192	347	227	361	1,127

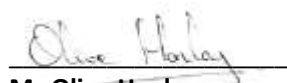
<u>2022</u>	Clontarf	Clondalkin	Waterford	Limerick	Total
Referrals for New Clients	189	95	26	102	412
External referrals for clients known to the service	265	190	39	182	676
Internal referrals (Within CRC) for Clients Known to the service	107	154	75	45	381
Referrals Not Accepted	19	3	0	14	36
Total Referrals Received	580	442	140	343	1,505

<u>2021</u>	Clontarf	Clondalkin	Waterford	Limerick	Total
Referrals for New Clients	106	87	41	66	300
External referrals for clients known to the service	206	140	96	278	720
Internal referrals (Within CRC) for Clients Known to the service	137	152	91	118	498
Referrals Not Accepted	3	3	6	8	20
Total Referrals Received	452	382	234	470	1,538

<u>2020</u>	Clontarf	Clondalkin	Waterford	Limerick	Total
Referrals for New Clients	156	47	32	60	295
External referrals for clients known to the service	143	96	68	109	416
Internal referrals (Within CRC) for Clients Known to the service	179	69	86	101	435
Referrals Not Accepted	2	4	2	7	15
Total Referrals Received	480	216	188	277	1,161

I trust this information clarifies this matter for you

Yours sincerely,



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