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PQ 32861/24 -To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients discharged from each of the long-Covid and post-acute Covid clinics, by clinic and year, in tabular form; the number who were discharged without making a full recovery; the reason these patients were discharged; the discharge protocol to inform both patients and their GPs of discharge; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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.

The table below provides the requested detail as available from each of the long-Covid and post-acute clinics, provided by the relevant Health Region. Please note that no site was able to provide data on those who were discharged without making a full recovery or the reason these patients were discharged as this information is not collected.

The discharge protocol is that a letter is sent to the patient's GP, informing them that the patient is being discharged back into their care.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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Table: Discharged patients by clinic and year to date

Hospital	Type of Clinic	Year	Number of patients discharged by year
MMUH	Post Acute	2022	23
		2023	10
		2024	14
SJH	Combined	2022	16
		2023	142
		2024	33
SJH	Neurology	2022	SJH Neurology clinic data commenced July 23
		2023	2
		2024	12
CUH	Long Covid	2022	Patients Discharged info not available
		2023	69
		2024	47
CUH	Post Acute	2022	2
		2023	4
		2024	Patients Discharged info not available
Beaumont	Long Covid	2022	81
		2023	28
		2024	0
SVH	Long Covid	2022	698
		2023	215 (including virtual clinics)
		2024	57 (including virtual clinics)
GUH	Combined	2022	Patients Discharged info not available
		2023	26
		2024	35
UHL	Long Covid	2022	Patients Discharged info not available
		2023	2
		2024	5
TUH	Combined	2022	220
		2023	199
		2024	82