



An tSeirbhís Náisiúnta Scagthástála
National Screening Service

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PQ32977/24: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are overdue for cervical screening; and the number of those who have waited for longer than six months.

Dear Deputy,

I refer to the Parliamentary Question above.

CervicalCheck offers free primary HPV cervical screening every three years to women and people with a cervix aged 25 to 29; and every five years to those aged 30 to 65 years.

The programme is up to date with invites for cervical screening and does not hold a waiting list. CervicalCheck invites women to attend for screening by booking an appointment with any [registered sample taker](#) at a time that suits them. However, women within the eligible age range do not need an invitation to attend for screening; they can check the register online and book an appointment with a registered sample taker if their screening test is [due](#).

In 2023, CervicalCheck screened 234,051 women and people with a cervix.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Murphy,
Chief Executive.

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