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**To ask the Minister for Health the number of days per year that the full capacity protocol has been utilised at University Hospital Limerick for the period 2011 to 2024, tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Maurice Quinlivan**

Dear Deputy Quinlivan,

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 below table outlines the number of times that the Full Capacity Protocol (FCP) has been activated at University Hospital Limerick for the years requested:

Year	Number of days FCP activated
2011	69
2012	314
2013	109
2014	143
2015	217
2016	304
2017	361
2018	364
2019	249
2020	219
2021	260
2022	227
2023	365
2024 (up to the 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024)	80

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



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**Professor Colette Cowan**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
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