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PQ ref 40688/24 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of cases of cancer of the oesophagus presented to Saint James' Hospital each year from 2016, and at what stage they presented in each year, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

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Dear Deputy Stanley,

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| Oesophageal Cancer Clinical Stage | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
| Year | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
| Total no. of patients | | 182 | 225 | 223 | 188 | 226 | Not available | 233 |
| Stage 0/Tis | | 27 | 38 | 27 | 21 | 33 | | 45 |
| Stage I | | 26 | 26 | 34 | 24 | 32 | | 42 |
| Stage II | | 18 | 32 | 29 | 23 | 21 | | 14 |
| Stage IIA | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | 1 |
| Stage IIB | | 6 | 9 | 6 | 11 | 8 | | 6 |
| Stage III | | 50 | 46 | 55 | 54 | 54 | | 47 |
| Stage IVA | | 19 | 25 | 35 | 18 | 34 | | 30 |
| Stage IVB | | 34 | 48 | 37 | 37 | 43 | | 48 |
| Unavailable | | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |

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| Year | No. of patients with oesophageal cancer deemed 'likely invasive' | Age ranges involved |
|------|--|---------------------|
| 2016 | | |
| 2017 | 155 | 29-97 (m.= 68) |
| 2018 | 187 | 25-95 (m. = 69) |
| 2019 | 196 | 26-100 (m. =70) |
| 2020 | 167 | 40-91 (m. =70) |
| 2021 | 193 | 36-94 (m. = 69) |
| 2022 | Unavailable | |
| 2023 | 188 | 35-95 (m.= 69) |
| 2024 | | |

Note:

- 2022 data is incomplete as the Data Manager was out of post at this time.
- It is not possible to provide 2024 data as these patients, curative and palliative, have not completed their treatment pathway (6-9 months for curative intent. Ongoing for palliative intent).

Yours sincerely,



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