

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 29th JANUARY 2019**

**Question**

Will the Minister provide a breakdown of waiting times at the General Hospital for day surgery repeat appointments?

**Answer**

The table shows the average wait by specialty for a patient to be admitted for a procedure in the day surgery unit in 2018 and the current number of patients waiting (as at 24<sup>th</sup> January) for a day surgery procedure. Waiting times are calculated from the date that the consultant/surgeon adds the patient to the waiting list for the procedure. The data are for public patients only and all clinical priorities. Specialties with < 5 patients admitted in the year have been excluded to prevent disclosure.

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>2018 Average Wait to Procedure (weeks)</b>	<b>Total Patients Currently Waiting (24/01/2019)</b>
Cardiology	4	24
Community Health Services Dental	17	60
Endoscopy	14	2091
ENT	11	169
General Surgery	14	321
Gynaecology	6	96
Ophthalmology	17	266
Oral Surgery	8	164
Pain Management	6	32
Trauma and Orthopaedics	12	242
Urology	8	71