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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that availed of the Cross-Border Directive in Northern Ireland in each of the years, 2016 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form; the category of the procedures; the diagnosis-related group codes involved; and the payment made in each case."

Dear Deputy Mac Lochlainn,

Thank you for your PQ above, which has been forwarded to me for direct reply.

The below table provides the number and total costs reimbursed.

Year	No. of patients	Total Cost
2016	363	N/A
2017	1050	€ 3,487,793.88
2018	3506	€ 10,844,085.65
2019	4662	€ 12,073,754.24
2020	4211	€ 13,809,077.65
2021 to date as at 01.03.2021 (CBD)	406	€ 1,564,718.05

We do not collate data in relation to the category of procedures, however I can advise that the main specialities which patients avail of are Orthopaedic, Orthodontic, ENT, Ophthalmology and Gynaecology. We do not collate information in relation to diagnostic related groups (DRG) coding.

If you have any queries, or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0872668759 or via catherinet.donohoe@hse.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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