

Rannan na nOspideil Ghearmhíochaine Aonad <u>4A</u> – Áras Dargan An Ceantar Theas An Bothar Mileata Cill Mhaighneann BÁC 8

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PQ 52716/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons attending acute hospitals with strokes, blood clots and for emergency cardiac care from January 2021 to September 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Mattie McGrath

Dear Deputy McGrath,

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 information which you have requested is held by the Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO) who manage the HIPE system. I am advised that data analysis was run for the requested information on HIPE in respect of the 6 months of data you requested. This data was reviewed and I am advised by the Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO) that it is not confident that the 2021 data is complete and accurate at this stage. The HPO has confirmed it cannot stand over the accuracy of the data and therefore cannot provide it.

I am advised that it is important to note that HIPE is not an operational database, it is not updated nationally at the HPO on a real-time or daily basis and is also not considered final until it is closed in the following year.

I trust this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,

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