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Leinster House,
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PQ: 49162/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of scripts for anti-anxiety medication and separately anti-depressant medication written and dispensed in County Kildare in each of the past five years, in tabular form; the number of patients involved; the cost to the Exchequer of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Réada Cronin

Dear Deputy Cronin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 49162/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Please find attached a spreadsheet outlining the information requested above.

Please note, the information provided is based on claim data which has been received by the Primary Care Reimbursement Service (PCRS) from Community Pharmacists and includes items reimbursed by PCRS only. Whilst the report reflects the reimbursement cost presented against pharmacy claims for those with GMS and DPS eligibility, expenditure for patients receiving products privately or sub-threshold DPS cannot be determined by PCRS.

Yours sincerely,

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service