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PQ 50182/21* *“To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who have availed of cataract surgery under the cross-Border healthcare directive in each of the past five years; the cost incurred in reimbursing patients for those procedures; the number of patients by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”*

Dear Deputy Naughten,

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

We do not collate data based particular treatment types, but gather data based on medical speciality. The following table outlines the number of patients who received reimbursement for Ophthalmology treatment in the period requested.

Year	Scheme	Inpatient Treatment	Day case /OPD	Total
2017	CBD	2	171	173
2018	CBD	16	2288	2304
2019	CBD	0	2670	2670
2020	CBD	1	2701	2702

The data in relation to the amount reimbursed for treatment types or medical speciality is not collated. The below table outlines the cost of the reimbursements in the specified years

	2017	2018	2019	2020
Cost of Reimbursement	€ 4,433,642.00	€ 12,288,398.00	€ 16,578,509.00	€ 11,919,085.00

We do not collate data per county so I am unable to provide you with data in this regard.

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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