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RE: PQ 44576/21 The number of persons that required in-hospital treatment for diabetes related foot complications and lower limb loss in each of the years 2014 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form by CHO and hospital

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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 Healthcare Pricing Office has provided the information requested in the attached PDF which includes:

- table 1 Number of discharges with any diagnosis of diabetes with foot ulcer, by patient type and hospital, 2015-2020,
- table 2 Number of discharges with any diagnosis of diabetes and a lower limb amputation, by hospital, 2015-2020.

I am advised by HIPE that, in relation to this request:

- Information is provided for 2015-2020. The coding classification was updated from ICD-10-AM 6th edition to 8th edition in 2015. With this update there was a major change to the coding of diabetes. Therefore we have not provided information for 2014 for consistency. The coding classification updated from ICD-10-AM 8th edition to 10th edition in 2020 and there were no changes to the codes relating to this request from ICD-10-AM 8th edition to 10th edition.

- 2020 is the latest information available. 2021 is provisional and has not been provided here.
- NRH Dun Laoghaire is now part of acute hospitals and is included in this request. Therefore, the 2015-2018 figures provided for the previous similar PQ will be slightly different to the figures in this request.
- Our coding team have advised that due to the classification of diabetes in ICD-10-AM, the only diabetes complication code that is specific to the foot alone is E1x.73 diabetes mellitus with foot ulcer due to multiple causes. There are a number of other diabetes codes that can relate to complications of the foot but are not specifically classified to that site and may include conditions other than foot related conditions. These codes have not been provided for this request.
- In Table 1 please note that day cases may include repeat dialysis encounters. Therefore we have split this table by patient type.
- We do not collect information by CHO so a breakdown of hospital only has been provided.
- The 2020 HIPE data provided does not include any public activity performed in private hospitals under the 2020 private hospital agreements.

I trust this is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,



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