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Deputy Michael McNamara

Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

Dublin 2.

PQ 9532/22 – The detail of the incidence of presentations at hospitals in the State with myocarditis, aneurysms and clotting disorders by month in 2021

Dear Deputy McNamara,

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.

I am advised by the Health Pricing Office 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.

Currently the data for 2021 is not fully coded to date, therefore they do not have a full picture of the diagnoses or procedures carried out in 2021 to date. An additional contributing factor to this in 2021 specifically is the Cyber Attack on the HSE which has severely disrupted hospital, HPO and HIPE systems, there was no data input during this period, from the 14th May for approximately 2 weeks; the impact of this was different from hospital to hospital and systems are mostly back, with some data from this time being input since, but there may still be gaps in the data for some sites.

I am advised that the file is due to close the end of March so data should be available in April 2022.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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