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Deputy Roisin Shortall

Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

Dublin 2.

PQ 30532/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients, by county and age that were treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in 2021, in tabular form; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 30533/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation by county and age in 2019, 2020 and 2021, in tabular form; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 30534/22- To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients undergoing full and partial lower limb amputations procedures by county and age in 2019, 2020 and 2021, in tabular form; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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 wish to advise you that the information you are seeking is collected through HIPE. As you are aware, HIPE is a health information system, managed by the Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO) of HSE Finance and is designed to collect clinical and administrative data on discharges from, and deaths in, acute public hospitals in Ireland. HIPE discharges are clinically coded from charts in the hospitals, this includes translating medical terminology into alpha-numeric code and using the entire chart to extract the conditions and procedures to create an adequate picture of the patient's health care encounter.

Please see attached information as requested as provided by HPO. Please pay attention to the notes in the excel files provided.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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