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**PQ 42937/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the volume of prophylactic breast removal surgeries within the recommended timeframe as an absolute number and as a proportion of total prophylactic breast removal surgeries in each of the years 2010 to 2021, in tabular form.**

Dear Deputy Shortall,

Acute Operations, 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 was sought from the Healthcare Pricing Office who have advised that they can provide the total number of discharges reported to HIPE with prophylactic breast removal surgeries in each of the years 2010 to 2021. Please find this information in the attached document.

Unfortunately, the information requested with respect to the prophylactic breast removal surgeries carried out within the recommended timeframe is not available.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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Carol Ivory  
Acting Assistant National Director  
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