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## To ask the Minister for Health the number of new insulin pump starts done in each

Hospitals' group in 2019, 2020 and 2021, in tabular form.

## **Dear Deputy Crowe**

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 have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

#### **Response:**

We sought input from the Hospital In-Patient Enquiry (HIPE) in relation to the question raised. HIPE is the principal source of national data on discharges from acute hospitals in Ireland and discharges are coded using the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems.

HIPE have advised that drug treatment/pharmacotherapy falls into a group of procedures not routinely coded in HIPE, as outlined in Australian Coding Standard 0042 Procedures Not Normally Coded.

Therefore unfortunately the information you seek is not centrally available.

Yours sincerely,

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