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Deputy Róisín Shortall  
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***PQ 20960/24 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients, by county, treated for foot ulcerations, which do not require a full or partial limb amputation in 2021, 2022 and 2023; the number of those patients who had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Róisín Shortall***

***PQ 20961/24 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients under the age of 65 years, by county, treated for foot ulcerations, which did not require a full or partial limb amputation, in 2021, 2022 and 2023; the number of those patients who had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Róisín Shortall***

***PQ 20962/24 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of full and partial lower limb amputations that were carried out in 2022 and 2023, by county, on persons under 65 years of age; the number of these patients who had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Róisín Shortall***

***PQ 20963/24 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of bed days required by patients treated for foot ulcerations, which do not require a full or partial limb amputation, in the years 2021, 2022 and 2023; the number of those patients who had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Róisín Shortall***

***PQ 20964/24 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients, by county, treated for foot ulcerations, which do not require a full or partial limb amputation, in the years 2021, 2022 and 2023; the number of those patients who had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Róisín Shortall***

Dear Deputy Shortall,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Hospital In-Patient Enquiry (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.



Enclosed with this reply is an Excel file containing the data requested.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Caroline Lynch'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'C'.

**Caroline Lynch**  
**General Manager**  
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