

## **Statement of Purpose:**

### **Irish Hip Fracture Database**

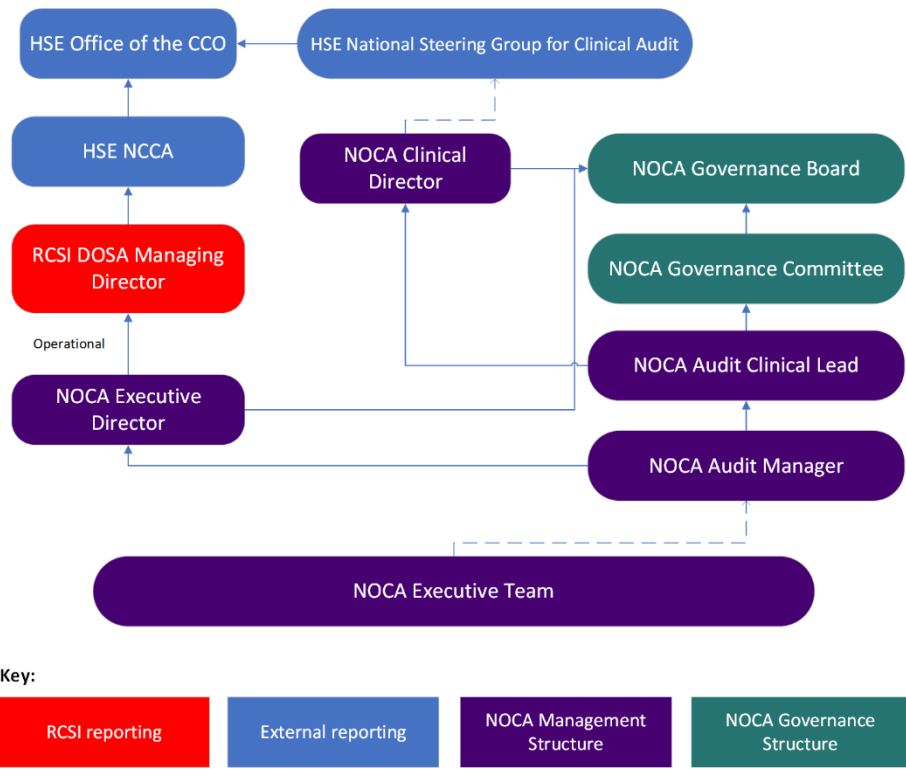
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<b>Title</b>	Irish Hip Fracture Database (IHFD)
<b>Year established</b>	Established in 2012  Came under governance structures of NOCA in 2013
<b>Web address</b>	<a href="https://www.noca.ie">https://www.noca.ie</a>
<b>Managing Organisation</b>	National Office of Clinical Audit (NOCA)
<b>Aim</b>	To maintain a contemporaneous database of all patients in Ireland aged 60 years and over with a hip fracture in order to drive continuous quality improvement for better, safer care.
<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve and support the collection of high-quality clinical audit data on all hip fracture patients in Ireland for local and national reporting.</li> <li>• Continue updating the dataset in order to ensure that the information in the audit remains relevant to the Irish healthcare system and patients.</li> <li>• Share timely outputs and reports from the data and report any data or performance concerns back to the relevant stakeholders.</li> <li>• Support/promote the use of IHFD data for quality improvement at local and national levels.</li> <li>• Benchmark hip fracture care and outcomes nationally and internationally.</li> <li>• Support the provision of high-quality data for research.</li> <li>• Collect longer-term outcome data (e.g. quality of life and survival).</li> <li>• Support the BPT (a tariff-based payment structure for hip fracture) and act as the primary data source for Irish Hip Fracture Standards (IHFS) and the hip fracture key performance indicator (KPI).</li> <li>• Capture the patient’s voice/experience and disseminate audit findings to patients and the public in an accessible manner</li> </ul>
<b>Overall function &amp; Purpose</b>	IHFD collects high quality data for purpose of healthcare quality assurance, improvement, benchmarking and research.
<b>Target population</b>	Patients discharged between a calendar year 01/01/XXXX - 31/12/XXXX (annually) All patients (aged 18 years and older) with a hip fracture defined with HIPE ICD-10 diagnosis codes; S72.00-S72.2 or specified hip fracture type (patients over 18 can be included locally. Only over 60 are reported on nationally)
<b>Data providers</b>	HSE Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO) Health Regions - Hospitals  <b>HSE West and North West</b>  Galway University Hospitals

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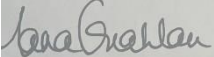
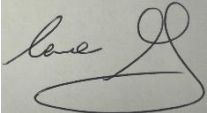
	<p>Letterkenny University Hospital</p> <p>Mayo University Hospital</p> <p>Sligo University Hospital</p> <p><b>HSE Dublin and Midlands</b></p> <p>Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore</p> <p>St. James's Hospital</p> <p>Tallaght University Hospital</p> <p><b>HSE Dublin and North East</b></p> <p>Beaumont Hospital</p> <p>Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown</p> <p>Mater Misericordiae University Hospital</p> <p>Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda</p> <p><b>HSE Mid West</b></p> <p>University Hospital Limerick</p> <p><b>HSE South West</b></p> <p>Cork University Hospital</p> <p>University Hospital Kerry</p> <p><b>HSE Dublin and South East</b></p> <p>St Vincent's Hospital</p> <p>University Hospital Waterford</p>
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<p><b>Governance and Managing Structure</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT TEAMS FOR NOCA AUDITS</b></p>  <p><b>Key:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px 5px;">RCSI reporting</li> <li style="background-color: blue; color: white; padding: 2px 5px;">External reporting</li> <li style="background-color: purple; color: white; padding: 2px 5px;">NOCA Management Structure</li> <li style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 2px 5px;">NOCA Governance Structure</li> </ul>
<p><b>Legal basis</b></p>	<p>Service arrangements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Section 39 Health Act 2004 between Health Service Executive and the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI): This sets out the administrative and operational management of NOCA including costs and deliverables per audit.</li> <li>2. Section 38 Health Act 2004, (Schedule 2 – Quality and Safety), HSE Contract with Hospitals: NOCA is identified in HSE contracts as an entity with which hospitals should work.</li> <li>3. MOU between HSE HPO and RCSI/ NOCA 2024-2027.</li> </ol>
<p><b>National Legislation &amp; Standards</b></p>	<p>The National Clinical Audit complies with the following national legislation and standards;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data Protection Act (2018)</li> <li>• HIQA National Standards for Information Management in Health and Social Care (2024)</li> <li>• HSE National Consent Policy (2024)</li> <li>• Patient Safety Act (2023)</li> <li>• HSE (2024) Trauma System Implementation Programme Clinical Guidance Document: Management of Major Trauma in Older Adults.</li> <li>• HSE (2023) Framework for HSE National Programme for Surgical Site Infection Surveillance - Pilot through the Irish Hip Fracture Database (IHFD).</li> <li>• HSE (2024) Prevention of Surgical Site Infections.</li> </ul>

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<b>International Legislation &amp; Standards</b>	<p>Irish Hip Fracture Database complies with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European Union General Data Protection Regulation ‘GDPR’ (2018).</li> <li>• The IHFD Clinical Standards (NOCA, 2018) are adapted from the Blue Book Standards in the UK British Orthopaedic Association (2007). The care of patients with fragility fracture.</li> </ul>
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