

National Diagnostic Reference Levels (DRLs) for Fluoroscopy and Fluoroscopically Guided Interventions (FGI)

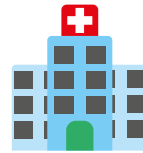
WHAT IS IT?

Fluoroscopy uses X-rays to produce real-time imaging of the body.

Fluoroscopically guided interventions (FGI) use this imaging method to help guide devices and equipment used for medical diagnostic or treatment purposes.

121,656

Total annual number of **Fluoroscopy and FGI** completed in Ireland on adults



64 Medical facilities Issued and responded to the survey

28,570

Coronary angiograms

Completed in Ireland in 2020



41 National DRLs Established for fluoroscopy procedures and FGI

256

Pieces of equipment Used in fluoroscopy and FGI services



National DRLs are an essential tool in patient dose optimisation. This is important as radiation dose can be high in these procedures.



Establishing national DRLs helps to ensure that radiation doses are as low as possible.



An extensive list of NDRIs for fluoroscopy and FGI has been established.