

Deputy Carol Nolan, T.D. Dail Eireann, Dublin,

14th February, 2019

RE: PQ ref 5860/19

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of agency nurses recruited at the Portlaoise Hospital in 2018"

Dear Deputy Nolan,

I refer to the above PQ, and wish to advise that an average of 12 Agency nurses are contracted on weekly basis to fill existing vacancies.

I trust this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,

General Manager