

2<sup>nd</sup> August 2019

**Deputy John Brady,**  
Houses of the Oireachtas,  
Kildare St.,  
Dublin 2.

**PQ Number: 32539/19**

**Representative Question: *To ask the Minister for Health the number suicide crisis assessment nurses based at Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway - John Brady***

Dear Deputy Brady

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of representations in relation to the above query.

I have examined the matter and I can confirm that Portiuncula University Hospital has a Self-harm Clinical Nurses Specialist (CNS) which is shared between Portiuncula University Hospital and Community Mental Health Services (39 hours per week).

I trust that this clarifies the situation.

Yours Sincerely,



**Mr. James Keane**  
General Manager