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Deputy Gerry Adams
Dáil Eireann,
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RE PQ 21092/19: To ask the Minister for Health the number of admissions to hospital of persons from County Louth for anxiety or depression in each year over the past five years; and the average admission rate nationally.

Dear Deputy Adams,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline the position as follows.

Number of Admissions with diagnosis of Depression and Anxiety for Co. Louth area only:

YEAR	LOCATION	NO. ADMISSIONS (DEPRESSION/ ANXIETY)	AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY
2014 (<u>6 months only</u> <u>July - Dec</u>)	St Brigid's Hospital, Ardee	27 admissions	19 days
2015	St Brigid's Hospital, Ardee	49 admissions	17 days
2016*	St Brigid's Hospital Ardee, /Drogheda Dept of Psychiatry	23 admissions	15 days
2017	Drogheda Dept of Psychiatry	36 admissions	17 days
2018	Drogheda Dept of Psychiatry	36 admissions	24 days
2019 (<u>5 months only</u> <u>Jan - May</u>)	Drogheda Dept of psychiatry	13 admissions	21 days

* Please note: - St Brigid's Hospital closed on the 5th September, 2016 and moved to Drogheda Dept of Psychiatry. Figures for 2016 are combined admissions for both St. Brigid's Hospital and Drogheda Department of Psychiatry.

Admissions for depressive and anxiety disorders with an address in Louth and nationally (*Includes all addresses in Louth including admissions to private hospitals)

	Depressive Disorders		Anxiety disorders	
2018	Numbers	Rate per 100,000	Numbers	Rate per 100,000
Louth*	62	48.1	7	5.43
National total	4128	86.7	662	13.9

	Depressive Disorders		Anxiety disorders	
2017	Numbers	Rate per 100,000	Numbers	Rate per 100,000
Louth*	56	43.4	6	4.66
National total	4143	87.0	644	13.5

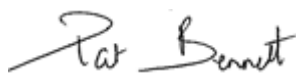
	Depressive Disorders		Anxiety disorders	
2016	Numbers	Rate per 100,000	Numbers	Rate per 100,000
Louth*	70	54.3	10	7.76
National total	4701	98.7	661	13.9

	Depressive Disorders		Anxiety disorders	
2015	Numbers	Rate per 100,000	Numbers	Rate per 100,000
Louth*	69	56.1	6	4.88
National total	4806	104.7	689	15.0

	Depressive Disorders		Anxiety disorders	
2014	Numbers	Rate per 100,000	Numbers	Rate per 100,000
Louth*	74	60.2	11	8.95
National total	4832	105.3	649	14.1

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,



Pat Bennett
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