



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive



Chief Operating Officer,  
Saolta University Health Care Group,  
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Newcastle Road,  
Galway University Hospital,

30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Deputy Catherine Connolly,  
Dáil Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

**PQ 37614/19: To ask the Minister for Health the number of graduates that applied to Saolta for preregistration positions to date in 2019, by county; the number of preregistration nurses employed by Saolta by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Catherine Connolly**

Dear Deputy,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question/Public Representation which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

All 143 of Saolta general student graduates were invited to apply for pre-registration positions. Of these 143 students, 136 applied for positions and were interviewed and 74 have been offered positions.

Galway (GUH, MPUH & PUH)	Mayo	Sligo	Donegal
30	12	17	15

21 midwifery graduates were invited to apply for pre-registration positions and 19 applied. Of these, 10 were offered positions.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Ann Cosgrove,  
Chief Operations Officer,  
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