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Deputy Thomas Pringle, Connolly House, Bridge Street, Killybegs, Co. Donegal.

Re: PQ 14300/20 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of applicants signed up for the Be On Call for Ireland initiative; the number of applicants deployed in CHO1 to date in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Pringle,

I refer to your recent enquiry regarding the Be on Call for Ireland Campaign.

CHO1 received 33 applications through the campaign, as outlined in the table below.

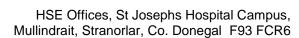
Grade	Number
Nurses	18
Carers	13
Other (Domestic & AHP)	2
	33

To date we have engaged 5 nurses within our services.

A number of applicants indicated at the time of their recruitment that they were only interested in non-clinical roles, which unfortunately limited the resources available to us through the campaign.

We made numerous offers of employment which were refused on the basis that the applicant did not want to work in Covid 19 related services, or was unavailable to work.

I trust this information if of assistance to you, however if you have any further queries do not hesitate to contact my office



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Yours sincerely,

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