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Deputy Pat Buckley,
Dail Eireann
Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the number of psychiatric nurses that graduated in each of the years 2017 to 2019 and 2020 respectively; the number hired by the HSE on full-time contracts; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Buckley,

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 the following outlines the position.

The HSE does not have a record of the number of Psychiatric Nurses that graduate each year-it may be available from the Higher Education Authority.

The Nursing Midwifery Board of Ireland have informed us that 257 Nurses achieved Registration in 2019 and there are 356 Internship students currently working within Mental Health services at present. Unfortunately we do not routinely collect information on the number of new Graduates that we recruit each year as part of our overall Nurse recruitment campaigns.

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

Yours Sincerely

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