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To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff and volunteers from sporting organisations that have taken part in suicide prevention training provided by the HSE National Office for Suicide Prevention by gender and age in each the years 2017 to 2019 and to date in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy,

The HSE National Office for Suicide Prevention (NOSP) has been requested to respond to your question above.

The following information is from completed/returned participant forms for suicide prevention training provided by the NOSP. They are the number of participants who categorised themselves as being from sporting organisations.

| 2017 | | | |
|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Age | Male | Female | Total |
| 18-24 | 10 | 8 | 18 |
| 25-29 | 2 | 10 | 12 |
| 30-34 | 14 | 5 | 19 |
| 35-39 | 17 | 6 | 23 |
| 40-44 | 18 | 18 | 36 |
| 45-49 | 14 | 21 | 35 |
| 50-54 | 23 | 16 | 39 |
| 55-59 | 7 | 10 | 17 |
| 60-64 | 6 | 4 | 10 |
| 65-69 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| 70+ | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Total | 118 | 99 | 217 |

| 2018 | | | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| Age | Male | Female | Gender not given | Total |
| 18-24 | 7 | 13 | 0 | 20 |
| 25-29 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 18 |
| 30-34 | 10 | 13 | 0 | 23 |
| 35-39 | 20 | 14 | 0 | 34 |
| 40-44 | 21 | 28 | 0 | 49 |
| 45-49 | 30 | 19 | 0 | 49 |
| 50-54 | 22 | 9 | 1 | 32 |
| 55-59 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 13 |
| 60-64 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 14 |
| 65-69 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| 70+ | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Age not given | 2 | 3 | 2 | 7 |
| Total | 146 | 121 | 4 | 271 |

Note that this same level of information is not yet available for 2019 and 2020.

Approximately 2,000 participant forms from 2019 are undergoing analysis.

In 2020, the NOSP commenced the provision of [LivingWorks Start](#), Suicide Prevention Skills Online and over 2,450 licences for this programme have been issued to date.

I trust this information is useful for you. Please do revert should you require anything further.

Yours sincerely,



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