



**Galway  
University  
Hospitals**

*Ospidéal na h-Ollscoile Gaillimh*  
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL GALWAY  
MERLIN PARK UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

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**To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds available in Galway University Hospital, Newcastle Road and Galway University Hospital, Merlin Park respectively; the number of these occupied at the latest record of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Éamon Ó Cuív**

Dear Deputy Ó Cuív,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above, the following outlines the situation

The total number of beds for Galway University Hospitals is 683:

- University Hospital Galway: 610
- Merlin Park University Hospital: 73

Recently our overall occupancy has been running at 98% and this includes beds closed for infection control and other reasons

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,

  
PP **Chris Kane**  
General Manager  
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