

20th December 2021

Deputy Peadar Tóibín T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2 E: peadar.tóibín@oireachtas.ie

Re: PQ 61454/21 - Occupational therapists, Our Lady's Hospital, Navan

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of occupational therapists currently employed at Our Lady's Hospital, Navan; the staffing level for occupational therapists at the hospital; if there is a vacancy for a line manager in the occupational therapy department at the hospital; the length of time this position has remained vacant; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on occupational therapists in Our Lady's Hospital, Navan, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that there are currently five WTE occupational therapists employed at Our Lady's Hospital, Navan. The staffing level for occupational therapists at the hospital is 6.5 WTE.

The occupational therapy line manager is community based.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

Paul Gallagher

Chief Director of Nursing and Midwifery

