



22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021

Mr Mark Ward  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

**RE: PQ 9018/21**

Dear Deputy Ward

I write in response to the PQ below, please find the response underneath the PQ:

**PQ9018/21** - *To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who presented to the accident and emergency department of Tallaght Hospital with a mental health issue in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter.* - **Deputy Mark Ward**

In order to capture patients who attended the Emergency Department (ED) with Mental Health issues we have included all patients who were referred to Psychiatry. In 2020 1,059 patients who were referred to psychiatry for assessment.

Yours sincerely

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**MR JOHN KELLY**  
**DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**