

1st March 2020

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Re: PQ 9858/21 – Number of patients who presented having overdosed on prescription drugs, RHM

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who presented to the Midlands Regional Hospital, Mullingar, having overdosed on prescription drugs in each of the years 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form.”

Dear Deputy Clarke,

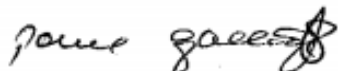
I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on the number of patients who presented to Regional Hospital Mullingar, having overdosed on prescription drugs, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that Regional Hospital Mullingar can provide the following data for overdoses in 2019, 2020 and 2021. Regional Hospital Mullingar can not specify whether these overdoses were specific to prescription drugs:

2019	2020	2021
266	324	37

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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Chief Director of Nursing and Midwifery