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Deputy Aengus O'Snodaigh

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**Re: PQ ref 2046/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the reason there is no self-harm protocol in St. James's Hospital, Dublin in relation to patients presenting with self-harm injuries at the emergency department; his plans to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy O'Snodaigh,

Patients who attend the St James's Hospital Emergency Department following self-harm, have their injuries addressed by the Emergency Medicine team. They are then referred for psychiatric evaluation and receive a biopsychosocial assessment.

Yours sincerely,



Ms. Ann Dalton

Deputy CEO