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Deputy Neale Richmond T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

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Re: PQ 51785/21 - Neurology nurse specialists, St. Vincent's University Hospital

"To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a shortage of neurology nurse specialists in St. Vincent's University Hospital; the steps he is taking to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Richmond,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking information regarding neurology nurse specialists in St. Vincent's University Hospital, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that the recruitment of all nurses including Clinical Nurse Specialists is a key priority of St Vincent's University Hospital. Nurse recruitment is a priority on a national level and in the Ireland East Hospital Group which includes St Vincent's University Hospital.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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