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***To ask the Minister for Health the total number of doctors and nurses from all nationalities that have left the UHL hospital group in each of the years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form.**

Dear Deputy O'Donoghue,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The below table outlines the total number of doctors and nurses who left UL Hospitals Group between 2019 - 2022.

	01.01.2019 – 31.12.2019	01.01.2020 – 31.12.2020	01.01.2021 - 31.12.2021	01.01.2022 - 02.12.2022
Nursing	189	218	238	216
Medical Consultants	16	9	18	28


Please note, these figures do not include Non Consultant Hospital Doctors (NCHDs) as these posts are filled on an annual and bi-annual basis based on rotation periods.

Below is a breakdown of the total number of medical doctors and nurses employed by UL Hospitals Group during that same time period. As you will see from the below table, UL Hospitals Group significantly increased its staffing levels between 2019 - 2022. Increases in staffing can be attributed to the scale-up in staffing to meet the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic and new bed capacity/winter planning initiatives.

	01/01/19	01/01/20	01/01/21	29/11/22
Nursing	1989	1996	2204	2246
Medical	676	672	809	865

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



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