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Re: PQ 34486/22 – Neurology Nurses, MMUH

“To ask the Minister for Health when the number of specialist neurology nurses in the Mater Hospital, Dublin will increase from six to the recommended number of 14; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Haughey,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question seeking an update on Neurology Nurses in the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

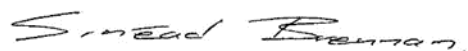
I have had this matter examined and am advised that 4 Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNS) and 2 Student Nurses (SN) worked in Neurology in 2016 in the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital. The 2 Student Nurses were funded separately via the Dublin Neurological Institute (DNI).

In 2018, two additional CNS posts were ratified for the Deep Brain Stimulation Service – which provided a total of 6 Clinical Nurse Specialists. The Dublin Neurological Institute funding for the 2 Student Nurse posts ceased. This remains the staffing complement in 2021.

A business case was submitted seeking additional resources – including 2 Advanced Nursing Practitioners (ANP), 3 Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNP) and a Staff Nurse. I trust this information is of assistance to you.

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Yours sincerely



Ms. Sinéad Brennan,
Director of Quality, Clinical Governance & Patient Safety

