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PQ Question:

To ask the Minister for Health if the room at the accident and emergency department at Tipperary University Hospital that is specifically for patients presenting with mental health issues has been unable to accept patients in 2021 and to date in 2022; if so, the dates that it was unavailable; if a public awareness campaign of the existence of the room will be considered as part of efforts to inform persons in crisis situations of its availability; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Martin Browne

Dear Deputy Browne,

Please note that the assessment room for Mental Health patients has remained opened throughout the COVID pandemic and is available to the Clinical Team to provide assessments as required. The room has always been available to the Mental Health Team and was never closed.

Patients presenting to the Emergency Departments in crisis are referred to the appropriate clinical team as determined by investigating Clinicians within the Emergency Department.

I trust that this clarifies the matter.

Yours Sincerely

Ms. Maria Barry
General Manager