



26<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Deputy Thomas Gould, TD  
Dáil Eireann  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2.

**Re PQ: 2186/22**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of addiction nurses currently working in the State.

Dear Deputy

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

**There are currently 104.1 addiction nurses working in HSE Addiction Services within the state.**

For the deputy's information, this figure provides a 'snapshot in time', and it is prudent to note that these posts only relate to currently filled positions and do not reflect the ongoing recruitment in relation to further addiction nursing posts within the state.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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