



**Station House, The Waterways, Sallins, Co. Kildare**  
**General Secretary Des Kavanagh, Deputy General Secretary Seamus Murphy**  
**Industrial Relations Officer Mr Declan Breen, Research & Development Advisor Ms Aisling Culhane**

**STATEMENT**

To: Name:

Grade:

CNM1, CNM2, CNM3, Assistant Director of Nursing, Director of Nursing, Local Health Manager

I,  Title,

Am currently in charge of/on duty in  Ward/Unit/Service  
 and the number of staff on duty is, in my opinion, insufficient to provide safe standards of patient care due  
 to:

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An Bord Altranais's Code for Nurses states "The Nurse shares the responsibility of care with colleagues and must have regard to the workload of, and the pressures on, Professional Colleagues and subordinates and take appropriate action if these are seen to be such as to constitute abuse of the individual Practitioner and/or jeopardise safe standards of practice" and further "any circumstances which could place patients/clients in jeopardy or which militate against safe standards of practice, shall be made known to appropriate persons or authorities".

I have sought your advice and guidance on this matter at Time  Date   
 and your advice was: \*\*

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\*\* If no response, please state that fact.

which does not in my opinion, resolve the situation.

Signed:   
 Time:

Status:   
 Date:

**Guidelines to the Nurse:**  
 Inform your immediate Line Manager of the situation, requesting immediate advice and guidance on the matter. Complete the above and send to appropriate Manager, holding a copy for yourself and a copy for your Branch Secretary.