

Oifig an Stiúrthóra Náisiúnta, Acmhainní Daonna Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhísí Sláinte Ospidéal Dr. Steevens' Baile Átha Cliath 8

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## **MEMO**

- To: Each Member of the Directorate and Leadership Team Each Assistant National Director of Human Resources, HSE Each Chief Officer, CHO Each HR Manager, CHO Each CEO, Hospital Group Each HR Director, Hospital Group Each CEO, Section 38 Agency Each HR Manager, Section 38 Agency Each Employee Relations Manager, HSE Each Group Director of Nursing & Midwifery
- From: Rosarii Mannion, National Director HR
- Date: 27<sup>th</sup> February 2018
- Re: Red Alert Warnings/Storm Ophelia

## Dear Colleagues,

I refer to previous memo in respect of disruption caused by Storm Ophelia, which occurred on the 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017. As provided for in that memo, those who were unable to attend work, or had to leave their place of work for health and safety reasons, were paid for the hours which they were scheduled to work, without having to take annual leave or other form of leave, in respect of the hours which they were unable to work.

It is acknowledged that a significant number of staff were required and did attend for work, to ensure that critical services were delivered to the public. Local arrangements should therefore be agreed to recognise their required attendance on the day, and appropriate time or leave be credited to them. The granting of this time, or leave, to the employee, can be agreed locally and may be discharged over an extended period if necessary, subject to exigencies of the service. This arrangement applies to Storm Ophelia only.



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Additionally, where such an event occurs in the future, where for health and safety reasons some employees are unable to attend for duty; those affected can be granted annual leave from their allocation, for the hours they were scheduled to work. If the employee has no annual leave remaining, they may use leave from the next leave cycle, and have their allocation adjusted accordingly

## Queries

Employees and Managers are invited to address any queries that they may have regarding these arrangements to their local HR / Employee Relations Departments.

Any queries from HR / Employee Relations Departments on the contents of this memo may be referred to HSE Corporate Employee Relations, 63-64 Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Tel: 016626966, Email: <u>info.t@hse.ie</u>

Yours sincerely

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http://hse.ie/eng/staff/Resources/hrstrategiesreports/peoplestrategy201518.html

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