

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 7th MARCH 2022
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 14th MARCH 2022**

Question

Will the Minister advise how many rehabilitation patients were in Samarès Ward for each of the 12 months prior to its closure (including stroke patients, neurological patients, orthopaedic patients or any other patients using the ward for rehabilitation) and how many other occupants, if any, were there during this period?

Answer

The answer provided to part a) of WQ507/2021 on 20th December 2021 is applicable to this question [wq.507-2021.pdf \(gov.je\)](#) A further breakdown of the data would require a full audit of all the patient notes – a task that cannot be undertaken before the deadline for submission of the answer to this question.

The last patient recorded in the specialty “Rehabilitation” was discharged from Samarès Ward in March 2020 so the period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020 has been used. Please note that there were less than 5 patients where the specialty was not “Rehabilitation” – these patients have been excluded from this analysis.

Patients can be transferred to a rehabilitation ward when they do not need rehabilitation. This is to place all patients within the hospital in the ward that best cares for their needs. This includes patients waiting for community residential/nursing home placement or care at home provision. These patients are classified as ‘Rehabilitation’ on TrakCare, so form part of the figures in total discharges.

Table 1: Number of patients discharged from Samarès Ward, April 2019 – March 2020

Discharge Month	Number of discharges
Apr-19	22
May-19	26
Jun-19	18
Jul-19	21
Aug-19	19
Sep-19	23
Oct-19	20
Nov-19	26
Dec-19	26
Jan-20	30
Feb-20	22
Mar-20	38

Data Source: Hospital Patient Administration System (TrakCare, Report ATD5L)