



Irish Nurses and Midwives Organisation
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STATEMENT OF CONCERN RE: SAFE STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

I have sought to have this issue addressed, through the allocation/employment of additional appropriate staff and/or the curtailment of activity, and/or appropriate orientation (delete as appropriate) and as the situation remains unsafe, I am now bringing it to your attention.

To:	From:
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Clinical Area:	Hospital/Community Care Area:
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Nature of Concern

Inadequate number RN's/PHN's <input type="checkbox"/>	Inadequate Support Staff <input type="checkbox"/>
Inappropriate Skill Mix <input type="checkbox"/>	Inadequate Equipment <input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of appropriate competence for this setting <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>

Additional Comments:

I am currently grade _____ and am informing you as my Manager that in my professional opinion, the safety of patients in my care is at risk due to the above concern.

Signed: _____ **Date:** ___/___/_____

Completed form should be returned to your Manager, copy to the Risk Manager and retain a copy.

Our code of Professional Conduct States:
"The aim of the nursing profession is to give the highest standard of care possible to patients. Any circumstance which could place patients in jeopardy or militates against safe standards of practice should be made known to appropriate authorities.
The Nurse shall be entitled to make known at the earliest possible opportunity to an appropriate person any conscientious objection of which may be relevant to professional practice" **Code of Professional Conduct, An Bord 2000**