## Attitudes to Mental Health Survey: Key Findings 2018



A nationally representative sample of 500 people gave their attitudes to mental health

39%

Would not be okay explaining to their boss they needed time due to a mental health difficulty



28%
Would tell no-one
if they were
experiencing suicidal
thoughts



18%
Would not willingly marry someone previously hospitalised with depression



37%
Would not trust someone who experienced postnatal depression to mind their child



80

33%

Do not think someone who experiences panic attacks could be head of a company



If they had a mental health concern about themselves or others:

35% would turn to a family member

48% would turn to a significant other

77% would turn to their GP

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57%
Are afraid of experiencing mental health difficulties in the future

## Two in five

Would not tell their partner if their child was being treated for depression





12%

Would not raise it with a partner if they were worried about their partner's mental heath

**16%**Would not be

60

comfortable living next door to someone with bipolar disorder





Two in five

Would not tell their partner if they were on antidepressants

Believe treated health of still see

Believe being treated for a menta health difficulty is still seen as a sign of personal failure in Irish society

**40**%

Think the public should be better protected from people with mental health difficulties

**70**%

Think society view people who spend time as an inpatient for a mental health issue differently