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In his editorial Brendan Kelly provides some intriguing statistics. In Ireland the numbers dying from suicide are falling. There were 552 cases in 2009, 425 cases in 2015, and the preliminary data for 2017 indicates a further decrease to 392 cases. This 29% positive change has taken place despite the population growth. The author points out that the trend is underpinned by a number of initiatives including the 'National Clinical programme for the Assessment and Management of Patients Presenting to the Emergency Department following Self-Harm.

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