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\* To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time from opioid substitution assessment to exit from waiting list or treatment commenced.

Dear Deputy Kelleher,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

During the month of October 2017 the national average waiting time from Opioid Substitution Treatment assessment to exit from the waiting list or treatment commenced for the 148 people who exited the waiting list was 26.5 days.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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