



25/04/2019

**Deputy Margaret Murphy O'Mahony,
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Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.**

PQ 1590/19 To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy assessment waiting list at the end of March 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively by local health area in tabular form.

15911/19 To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy initial treatment waiting list at the end of March 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively by local health area in tabular form

15912/19 To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy further treatment waiting list at the end of March 2019 or the latest date available; and the numbers waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively by local health area in tabular form

PQ 15913/19 To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy first time assessment waiting list at the end of March 2019 or the latest date available; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 4, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and 65 years of age plus, respectively, in tabular form.

PQ 15807: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the physiotherapy waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 4, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years, respectively by each category in each local healthcare area at the end of March 2019 or the latest date available, in tabular form

- Margaret Murphy O'Mahony

Dear Deputy Murphy O'Mahony,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

Data for March will only be made available at the end of April, as such please find waiting times for February 2019.

The appendices attached contain, in tabular form, each of the requested waiting lists at February 2019 by LHO and by time waiting. Please note the only metric available for Occupational therapy and Physiotherapy is in relation to assessment. Please also note that an age breakdown is not available for Physiotherapy.

Attached find:

Appendix 1 – Speech and Language Therapy number of people awaiting initial assessment

Appendix 2 – Speech and Language Therapy number of people awaiting initial therapy

Appendix 3 – Speech and Language Therapy number of people awaiting further therapy

Appendix 4- Occupational therapy number of people awaiting first time assessment

Appendix 5- Physiotherapy number of people awaiting assessment

Note that where there is a zero in a particular field in most instances this means there is nobody on the waiting list for the particular LHO / period of time waiting. It is important to note that the overall total in the attachments represents the entirety of the waiting lists.

The HSE is committed to the provision of high-quality health services in a timely manner to ensure best practice. The table below shows the number of people seen in each of the listed services in 2018:

Table 1: Number of people seen per service

Area of Service	Numbers seen 2018
Speech and Language Therapy	276,343
Occupational Therapy	356,716
Physiotherapy	576,409

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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APPENDIX 1

Speech and Language Therapy - Number of patients awaiting Initial Assessment - February 2019

LHO	0 to 4 Mths	4 months & 1 day - 8 months	8 months & 1 day - 12 months	12 months & 1 day - 18 months	18 months & 1 day to 24 months	>24 months	Total
Cavan Monaghan	440	151	12	6	0	0	609
Donegal	533	40	14	15	16	55	673
Sligo Leitrim	127	10	2	0	0	0	139
CHO1	1,100	201	28	21	16	55	1,421
Galway	547	65	17	8	4	12	653
Mayo	280	9	10	2	0	0	301
Roscommon	52	3	1	1	0	0	57
CHO2	879	77	28	11	4	12	1,011
Clare	148	26	5	0	0	0	179
Limerick	377	169	21	2	0	0	569
North Tipperary East Limerick	291	85	24	8	0	0	408
CHO3	816	280	50	10	0	0	1,156
Kerry	234	0	0	0	0	0	234
North Cork	224	11	0	0	0	0	235
North Lee	347	19	0	0	0	0	366
South Lee	371	2	0	0	0	0	373
West Cork	98	0	0	0	0	0	98
CHO4	1,274	32	0	0	0	0	1,306
Carlow Kilkenny	384	45	0	0	0	0	429
South Tipperary	234	19	0	0	0	0	253
Waterford	231	37	6	2	0	0	276
Wexford	357	290	185	82	0	0	914
CHO5	1,206	391	191	84	0	0	1,872
Dublin South East	147	3	8	9	4	0	171
Dun Laoghaire	147	3	8	9	4	0	171
Wicklow	235	55	14	0	0	0	304
CHO6	529	61	30	18	8	0	646
Dublin South City	195	121	77	19	6	0	418
Dublin South West	381	52	77	122	54	133	819
Dublin West	241	283	183	35	0	22	764
Kildare West Wicklow	423	191	0	0	0	0	614
CHO7	1,240	647	337	176	60	155	2,615
Laos Offaly	312	12	23	5	12	9	373
Longford Westmeath	391	114	19	0	0	0	524
Louth	423	36	0	0	0	0	459
Meath	577	288	155	109	55	0	1,184
CHO8	1,703	450	197	114	67	9	2,540
Dublin North	475	514	161	1	0	0	1,151
Dublin North Central	390	216	145	16	2	0	769
Dublin North West	438	282	140	12	0	0	872
CHO9	1,303	1,012	446	29	2	0	2,792
Total	10,050	3,151	1,307	463	157	231	15,359

APPENDIX 2

Speech and Language Therapy - Number of patients awaiting Initial Therapy - February 2019

LHO	0 to 4 Mths	4 months & 1 day - 8 months	8 months & 1 day - 12 months	12 months & 1 day - 18 months	18 months & 1 day to 24 months	>24 months	Total
Cavan Monaghan	18	0	0	0	0	0	18
Donegal	67	0	0	0	0	0	67
Sligo Leitrim	36	3	0	0	0	0	39
CHO1	121	3	0	0	0	0	124
Galway	233	96	0	0	0	0	329
Mayo	87	4	0	0	0	0	91
Roscommon	174	16	0	0	0	0	190
CHO2	494	116	0	0	0	0	610
Clare	109	35	14	0	0	0	158
Limerick	140	71	21	25	3	0	260
North Tipperary East Limerick	43	37	2	0	0	0	82
CHO3	292	143	37	25	3	0	500
Kerry	97	13	2	0	0	0	112
North Cork	68	61	71	3	0	0	203
North Lee	171	187	167	16	17	12	570
South Lee	111	127	61	38	80	61	478
West Cork	54	35	7	0	0	0	96
CHO4	501	423	308	57	97	73	1,459
Carlow Kilkenny	112	137	112	82	16	0	459
South Tipperary	110	71	28	0	0	0	209
Waterford	126	125	124	21	0	0	396
Wexford	131	107	99	91	33	0	461
CHO5	479	440	363	194	49	0	1,525
Dublin South East	120	40	3	0	0	0	163
Dun Laoghaire	120	40	3	0	1	0	164
Wicklow	63	77	11	28	0	0	179
CHO6	303	157	17	28	1	0	506
Dublin South City	129	150	99	94	7	0	479
Dublin South West	110	128	77	24	0	0	339
Dublin West	173	146	112	69	39	5	544
Kildare West Wicklow	101	8	0	0	0	0	109
CHO7	513	432	288	187	46	5	1,471
Laois Offaly	93	107	13	16	0	0	229
Longford Westmeath	139	89	4	0	0	0	232
Louth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meath	77	1	0	0	0	0	78
CHO8	309	197	17	16	0	0	539
Dublin North	413	258	47	0	0	0	718
Dublin North Central	105	50	22	0	1	0	178
Dublin North West	277	172	72	0	0	0	521
CHO9	795	480	141	0	1	0	1,417
Total	3,807	2,391	1,171	507	197	78	8,151

APPENDIX 3

Speech and Language Therapy - Number of patients awaiting Further Therapy - February 2019

LHO	0 to 4 Mths	4 months & 1 day - 8 months	8 months & 1 day - 12 months	12 months & 1 day - 18 months	18 months & 1 day to 24 months	>24 months	Total
Cavan Monaghan	30	22	0	0	0	0	52
Donegal	587	4	0	0	0	0	591
Sligo Leitrim	211	80	17	10	0	3	321
CHO1	828	106	17	10	0	3	964
Galway	782	256	158	21	13	103	1,333
Mayo	81	2	4	0	8	0	95
Roscommon	0	0	0	1	18	0	19
CHO2	863	258	162	22	39	103	1,447
Clare	198	95	81	12	1	0	387
Limerick	487	227	110	26	35	0	885
North Tipperary East Limerick	194	92	102	1	0	0	389
CHO3	879	414	293	39	36	0	1,661
Kerry	400	112	4	0	0	0	516
North Cork	193	105	110	12	2	1	423
North Lee	228	229	182	54	17	59	769
South Lee	224	171	71	37	64	15	582
West Cork	162	73	34	1	0	0	270
CHO4	1,207	690	401	104	83	75	2,560
Carlow Kilkenny	42	28	8	1	0	0	79
South Tipperary	0	294	196	0	0	0	490
Waterford	14	12	10	1	0	0	37
Wexford	100	107	142	137	57	3	546
CHO5	156	441	356	139	57	3	1,152
Dublin South East	82	0	0	0	0	0	82
Dun Laoghaire	82	0	0	0	0	0	82
Wicklow	92	64	0	0	0	0	156
CHO6	256	64	0	0	0	0	320
Dublin South City	121	178	216	132	4	0	651
Dublin South West	219	293	164	118	8	0	802
Dublin West	316	267	336	185	72	75	1,251
Kildare West Wicklow	144	41	0	0	0	0	185
CHO7	800	779	716	435	84	75	2,889
Laois Offaly	92	121	52	9	0	0	274
Longford Westmeath	443	184	46	2	0	0	675
Louth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meath	116	1	0	16	0	0	133
CHO8	651	306	98	27	0	0	1,082
Dublin North	1,196	292	37	0	0	0	1,525
Dublin North Central	298	114	31	0	0	0	443
Dublin North West	374	264	115	0	0	0	753
CHO9	1,868	670	183	0	0	0	2,721
Total	7,508	3,728	2,226	776	299	259	14,796

Appendix 4 Occupational Therapy Initial Assessment

CHO	Former LHO	0 - 4 Yrs 11 Months				5 - 17 Yrs 11 Months				18 - 64 Yrs 11 Months				65 Yrs+				TOTAL			
		>12 weeks - 5 26 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - 5 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	> 52 weeks	>12 weeks - 5 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	> 52 weeks	>12 weeks - 5 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	> 52 weeks				
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	0	0	0	45	38	57	48	499	30	6	0	0	93	9	0	0	828			
	Donegal	41	19	9	40	57	25	10	0	23	13	2	0	2	106	50	29	6	435		
	Sligo Leitrim	28	23	10	61	30	23	33	48	21	8	5	0	3	149	46	19	16	535		
CHO 2	CHO1 Total	69	42	19	146	125	105	91	547	74	27	7	0	8	348	105	48	22	1,798		
	Galway	7	4	0	46	25	21	0	0	67	21	1	2	0	311	128	12	4	649		
	Mayo	28	28	24	27	49	35	51	213	23	10	19	6	15	140	113	43	39	1,001		
CHO 3	Roscommon	32	8	5	28	23	14	6	1	11	20	10	3	2	105	125	72	33	529		
	CHO2 Total	67	40	29	101	97	70	57	214	101	51	30	11	17	556	366	127	76	2,179		
	Clare	6	1	0	30	5	0	0	0	30	28	8	2	1	144	144	39	27	472		
CHO 4	Limerick	6	9	3	36	57	35	46	0	27	21	23	4	2	153	105	60	42	640		
	North Tipperary East	6	9	3	36	57	35	46	0	27	21	23	4	2	153	105	60	42	640		
	Limerick	6	9	3	36	57	35	46	0	27	21	23	4	2	153	105	60	42	640		
CHO 5	CHO3 Total	18	19	4	99	104	40	46	0	116	96	45	11	3	501	336	118	79	1,653		
	Kerry	28	27	9	62	56	51	45	232	31	16	6	1	0	155	111	32	28	920		
	North Cork	10	15	17	38	31	38	42	290	29	23	7	5	10	118	78	62	28	925		
CHO 6	North Lee	50	40	17	65	116	144	741	35	25	26	18	39	221	103	71	88	180	2,061		
	South Lee	14	28	9	24	73	89	87	144	29	12	3	4	144	150	56	42	46	981		
	West Cork	4	5	1	54	22	29	28	73	12	7	3	1	1	79	36	24	3	386		
CHO 7	CHO4 Total	106	115	53	184	247	323	346	1,480	136	83	54	28	54	717	478	245	189	5,273		
	Carlow Kilkenny	38	46	46	82	91	87	33	38	38	49	24	29	42	168	133	134	87	1,369		
	South Tipperary	26	41	21	80	90	54	63	75	27	26	13	8	47	77	68	64	145	1,063		
CHO 8	Waterford	49	43	44	38	90	79	65	72	217	16	8	6	5	184	114	55	20	1,227		
	Wexford	62	50	58	112	118	156	120	121	576	37	16	12	6	161	112	59	38	1,864		
	CHO5 Total	175	180	169	353	407	330	343	901	124	107	57	49	95	590	427	316	209	5,523		
CHO 9	Dublin South East	9	6	2	9	15	20	15	19	14	2	0	0	0	118	36	6	2	270		
	Dun Laoghaire	9	1	0	38	22	12	13	57	10	20	5	0	0	175	143	20	0	527		
	Wicklow	32	18	31	89	68	86	88	255	31	29	11	2	2	130	104	83	12	1,151		
CHO 7	CHO6 Total	50	25	33	136	100	118	116	331	55	51	16	2	2	423	283	109	14	1,948		
	Dublin South City	5	8	8	29	42	34	17	18	22	5	0	0	0	136	13	0	1	339		
	Dublin South West	27	49	32	52	102	67	83	423	40	17	3	0	0	240	55	10	0	1,288		
CHO 8	Dublin West	60	47	53	70	61	56	39	50	49	42	5	0	0	176	164	8	0	961		
	Kildare West Wicklow	6	15	19	50	69	120	122	466	49	29	27	8	10	219	146	92	44	1,590		
	CHO7 Total	98	119	112	201	274	277	261	957	160	93	35	8	10	771	378	110	45	4,178		
CHO 9	Laois Offaly	122	103	94	141	120	110	140	568	35	24	16	9	5	153	89	57	39	2,041		
	Longford Westmeath	143	52	11	140	63	17	6	1	17	10	5	2	3	200	73	2	0	755		
	Louth	41	37	25	99	81	55	46	267	27	5	1	1	0	170	46	26	17	1,035		
CHO 9	Meath	23	3	0	207	84	28	5	0	40	13	1	0	0	212	39	0	0	655		
	CHO8 Total	329	195	130	566	338	240	182	836	119	52	23	12	8	735	247	85	56	4,486		
	Dublin North	51	66	35	180	108	96	63	70	208	58	45	29	17	4	356	288	208	95	45	
CHO 9	Dublin Nth Central	41	21	19	21	27	21	23	28	30	45	26	10	2	192	104	33	16	671		
	Dublin North West	26	58	40	46	18	39	80	62	375	39	34	27	4	177	189	140	117	45		
	CHO9 Total	118	145	94	117	238	156	166	160	613	142	105	73	46	8	725	581	381	228	90	
National Total	1,030	880	643	557	1,043	1,939	1,848	1,669	1,602	5,879	1,027	665	340	167	205	5,366	3,201	1,539	918	859	31,377

Appendix 5

Physiotherapy - Number of Patients waiting for Assessment February 2019							
CHO	LHO	0 to 12 weeks	12 weeks ≤ 26 weeks	26 weeks ≤ 39 weeks	39 weeks ≤ 52 weeks	> 52 weeks	TOTAL
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	830	101	41	26	278	1,276
	Donegal	1,192	348	69	0	0	1,609
	Sligo Leitrim	429	94	86	12	43	664
	Total	2,451	543	196	38	321	3,549
CHO 2	Galway	1,329	666	318	173	116	2,602
	Mayo	422	389	148	68	132	1,159
	Roscommon	379	132	17	0	0	528
	Total	2,130	1,187	483	241	248	4,289
CHO 3	Clare	316	93	5	0	0	414
	Limerick	18	2	1	0	0	21
	North Tipp East Limerick	482	274	207	130	6	1,099
	Total	816	369	213	130	6	1,534
CHO 4	Kerry	860	249	82	24	20	1,235
	North Cork	321	18	4	0	0	343
	North Lee	583	280	82	27	2	974
	South Lee	307	87	39	0	0	433
	West Cork	334	64	3	0	0	401
	Total	2,405	698	210	51	22	3,386
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	836	153	12	0	0	1,001
	South Tipperary	415	183	9	0	1	608
	Waterford	660	547	296	343	525	2,371
	Wexford	643	502	247	33	0	1,425
	Total	2,554	1,385	564	376	526	5,405
CHO 6	Dublin South East	388	43	42	14	0	487
	Dun Laoghaire	225	131	36	0	0	392
	Wicklow	646	363	97	54	0	1,160
	Total	1,259	537	175	68	0	2,039
CHO 7	Dublin South City	676	294	33	15	41	1,059
	Dublin South West	668	159	58	51	339	1,275
	Dublin West	604	179	73	51	3	910
	Kildare West Wicklow	629	190	79	12	3	913
	Total	2,577	822	243	129	386	4,157
CHO 8	Laos Offaly	728	281	60	19	42	1,130
	Longford Westmeath	680	308	28	3	3	1,022
	Louth	855	284	87	23	95	1,344
	Meath	773	387	214	29	0	1,403
	Total	3,036	1,260	389	74	140	4,899
CHO 9	Dublin North	1,029	725	187	98	256	2,295
	Dublin North Central	580	207	47	14	1	849
	Dublin North West	790	268	29	30	42	1,159
	Total	2,399	1,200	263	142	299	4,303
National Total		19,627	8,001	2,736	1,249	1,948	33,561