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Ms. Margaret Murphy O'Mahony T.D.,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 15921/19**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list in CHO8 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 years and 65 plus of age, respectively in tabular form -Margaret Murphy O'Mahony

Dear Deputy Murphy O'Mahony,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline the position as follows for CHO 8 Occupational Therapy Waiting lists.

**Louth/Meath – as at March 2019**

Age Range	Awaiting first time assessment on the last day of the working month (March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2019)		0 - < 12 weeks		> 12 weeks - < 26 weeks		> 26 weeks - < 39 weeks		> 39 weeks - < 52 weeks		> 52 weeks		Longest Waiting Time (in Weeks)	
	Louth	Meath	Louth	Meath	Louth	Meath	Louth	Meath	Louth	Meath	Louth	Meath	Louth	Meath
0 – 4 yrs & 11 months	193	33	46	29	42	4	24	0	23	0	58	0	146	19
5 yrs – 17 yrs & 11 months	564	332	124	223	78	81	53	21	46	7	263	0	154	47
18 yrs – 64 yrs & 11 months	46	47	39	42	4	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	45	24
65 yrs and over	274	229	180	192	52	37	19	0	14	0	9	0	96	20

**Laois/Offaly – as at March 2019**

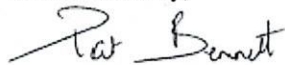
Age Range	Awaiting first time assessment on the last day of the working month	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks - ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	>52 weeks	Longest waiting time (weeks)
0-4 yrs & 11mths	489	123	96	83	43	144	145
5-17 yrs & 11 mths	1604	205	171	173	195	860	190
18-64 yrs & 11 mths	78	38	18	11	6	5	119
65 yrs and over	408	211	79	50	33	35	98

**Longford/Westmeath – as at March 2019**

Age Range	Awaiting first time assessment on the last day of the working month	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks - ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	>52 weeks	Longest waiting time (weeks)
0-4 yrs & 11mths	246	148	75	13	9	1	53
5-17 yrs & 11 mths	281	160	97	24	0	0	38
18-64 yrs & 11 mths	41	17	18	4	2	0	44
65 yrs and over	188	137	51	0	0	0	25

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,



Pat Bennett  
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