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Deputy Lisa Chambers T.D.  
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To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Mayo waiting for an occupational therapy, physiotherapy and or speech and language appointment in tabular form; and the length of time they have been waiting - Lisa Chambers.

Dear Deputy Chambers,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Occupational Therapy:

| No. of Weeks | 0-4yrs | 5-17yrs | Total No. of children |
|--------------|--------|---------|-----------------------|
| 0-12 weeks   | 27     | 43      | 70                    |
| 12-26 weeks  | 30     | 45      | 75                    |
| 26-39 weeks  | 31     | 59      | 90                    |
| 39-52 weeks  | 20     | 92      | 112                   |
| 52 weeks +   | 89     | 521     | 610                   |
| <b>Total</b> | 197    | 760     | 957                   |

Speech & Language Therapy:

| No of Children:                | 0-4 months | 4-8 months | 8-12 months | 12 months + |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Waiting for Initial Assessment | 301        | 33         | 3           | 0           |
| Waiting for Initial Therapy    | 54         | 13         | 0           | 0           |
| Waiting for Further Therapy    | 90         | 5          | 0           | 0           |

Physiotherapy:

| Wait Times by Age Category- School Age Disability/Primary Care |           |           |           |           |           |            |           |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
|  | 0-12 wks  | 12-26 wks | 26-39 wks | 39-52 wks | > 52wks   | Total      | LWT       |
| 0 - 4 years  | 8         | 5         | 1         | 3         | 6         | 23         | 108 weeks |
| 5 - 17 years   | 34        | 6         | 29        | 7         | 78        | 154        | 169 weeks |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>42</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>30</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>84</b> | <b>177</b> |           |
| Wait Times by Age Category- Early Intervention                 |           |           |           |           |           |            |           |
|  | 0-12wks   | 12-26wks  | 26-39wks  | 39-52wks  | >52wks    | Total      | LWT       |
| 0-4yrs   | 21        | 22        | 10        | 2         | 24        | 79         | 80 weeks  |
| 5-17yrs  |           | 1         | 2         | 2         | 7         | 12         | 82 weeks  |
| 18-64yrs   |           |           |           |           |           |            |           |
| 65yrs +  |           |           |           |           |           |            |           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>21</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>4</b>  | <b>31</b> | <b>91</b>  |           |

I trust this information will be of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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