



20th December 2019

Mr. James Browne TD Dáil Eireann Leinster House Dublin 2

PQ 53515/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Wexford awaiting a dental appointment; the number waiting less than 12 months; the number waiting more than 12, 24, 36 and 48 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Browne,

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

I have examined the matter and the following response outlines the position.

The number of children in County Wexford awaiting a dental appointment; the number waiting less than 12 months; the number waiting more than 12, 24, 36 and 48 months, respectively	
Waiting Time	No. of Children
Waiting <12 months	6,530
Waiting >12 months	6,570
Waiting >24 months	791
Waiting >36 months	0
Waiting >48 months	0
Total	13,891

Please be assured that Management from all areas and personnel from Dental Services monitor the waiting list on an ongoing basis in the context of available resources and prioritisation criteria.

Should you have any further queries in relation to same, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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