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Deputy Anne Rabbitte, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the number of children under 18 years of age on the physiotherapy waiting list by local health area in tabular form; and the numbers waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively.

-Anne Rabbitte

Dear Deputy Rabbitte,

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

The HSE collates metrics on the waiting list for assessment for Physiotherapy services in Community Healthcare Organisations, broken down by Local Health Office (LHO) area. Data is not currently collected on the age profile of those awaiting Physiotherapy Services. Please find attached Appendix 1 which shows the number of persons awaiting Physiotherapy assessment at December 2018. The data is shown in tabular form by time waiting and by LHO area.

Please 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 also possible that zero figures on waiting lists may be due to data not being returned at a particular point in time or where there is no service delivered in a particular LHO Area.

The HSE is committed to timely access to high quality community Physiotherapy Services to all children and young people who require this valuable service to support optimum physical development.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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