



24th July 2019

Deputy John Curran,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 34238/19 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons by CHO area waiting for a psychology appointment in primary care; the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter

-John Curran

Dear Deputy Curran,

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.

Please see attached Appendix 1 which shows the number of persons awaiting Psychology treatment at May 2019 in tabular form by LHO Area and by time waiting, which is the latest available waiting list at this time.

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 attachment represents the entirety of the waiting list.

The HSE is committed to the provision of high-quality, effective Psychology services in a timely manner. Our data indicates that there were 42,375 attendances at community Psychology services in 2018.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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Siobhán McArdle,
Head of Operations Primary Care,
Community Operations

APPENDIX 1

Psychology - Number of Patients waiting for treatment - May 2019						
LHO	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	Total
Cavan Monaghan	187	59	0	0	0	246
Donegal	94	101	44	26	86	351
Sligo Leitrim	60	74	0	0	0	134
CHO1	341	234	44	26	86	731
Galway	74	73	90	77	261	575
Mayo	121	85	41	23	11	281
Roscommon	23	27	15	25	22	112
CHO2	218	185	146	125	294	968
Clare	43	37	28	14	84	206
Limerick	25	55	20	22	38	160
North Tipperary East Limerick	27	84	3	4	5	123
CHO3	95	176	51	40	127	489
Kerry	42	41	39	34	97	253
North Cork	33	17	32	26	20	128
North Lee	80	55	38	43	133	349
South Lee	54	37	47	70	196	404
West Cork	27	15	10	12	35	99
CHO4	236	165	166	185	481	1,233
Carlow Kilkenny	6	17	1	2	1	27
South Tipperary	36	29	22	20	44	151
Waterford	59	79	68	30	9	245
Wexford	110	51	56	47	93	357
CHO5	211	176	147	99	147	780
Dublin South East	77	17	4	1	2	101
Dun Laoghaire	78	46	28	18	30	200
Wicklow	130	96	60	24	2	312
CHO6	285	159	92	43	34	613
Dublin South City	26	58	65	71	142	362
Dublin South West	25	55	59	48	106	293
Dublin West	40	40	44	56	91	271
Kildare West Wicklow	67	11	3	22	55	158
CHO7	158	164	171	197	394	1,084
Laos Offaly	68	32	16	16	8	140
Longford Westmeath	48	45	6	0	0	99
Louth	85	59	30	8	74	256
Meath	138	117	31	7	7	300
CHO8	339	253	83	31	89	795
Dublin North	72	152	149	67	32	472
Dublin North Central	121	161	73	30	31	416
Dublin North West	233	173	144	137	361	1,048
CHO9	426	486	366	234	424	1,936
Total	2,309	1,998	1,266	980	2,076	8,629