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Deputy Anne Rabbitte, TD  
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**AMENDED RESPONSE TO PQ 25760/19**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of children under 18 years of age in CHO2 waiting for an eye test in primary care; the number waiting for periods (0-12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Rabbitte

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.

<b>Total Number Patients waiting for treatment</b>	<b>Aged 0 – 4 years</b>	<b>Aged 5 – 18 years</b>
Waiting time 0 – 12 weeks	430	424
Waiting time 12 – 26 weeks	329	280
Waiting time 26 – 39 weeks	339	240
Waiting time 39 – 52 weeks	285	162
Waiting time – over 52 weeks	427	258
<b>Total</b>	<b>1810</b>	<b>1364</b>
<b>Overall total Children under 18 years awaiting treatment</b>	<b>3174</b>	

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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