

Community **Healthcare West** serving Galway, Mayo and Roscommon

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To ask the Minister for Health when progress will be made on reducing waiting times in County Mayo for occupational therapy assessments especially for those under 18 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

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.

We currently have 1 WTE vacancy in OT Services in Mayo and are awaiting approval to fill which will help reduce waiting times.

In the meantime, we are realigning services in line with current resources.

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

Yours sincerely,

Frank Murphy,

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