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To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the numbers waiting less than 4 months; the number waiting 4-12 months and the number waiting more than 12 months; and if he would indicate also for each category the numbers waiting aged 0-4 years, 5-17 years, 18-64 years and aged 65 plus by LHO area in CHO 5 at the end of September 2019 or latest date available in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Murphy O'Mahony,

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 persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively at the end of June 2019 or latest date available | | | | |
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| | <i>Carlow/Kilkenny</i> | <i>South Tipperary</i> | <i>Waterford</i> | <i>Wexford</i> |
| <i>Waiting <4 months (0-12 weeks)</i> | 336 | 192 | 292 | 323 |
| <i>Waiting 4-12 months (from 12 weeks-52 weeks)</i> | 792 | 506 | 635 | 668 |
| <i>Waiting >12 months</i> | 380 | 267 | 476 | 715 |
| Total number waiting | 1508 | 965 | 1403 | 1706 |

| The number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category the at the end of June 2019 or latest date available | | | | |
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| | <i>Carlow/Kilkenny</i> | <i>South Tipperary</i> | <i>Waterford</i> | <i>Wexford</i> |
| <i>Aged 0-5</i> | 235 | 168 | 248 | 278 |
| <i>Aged 5-17</i> | 464 | 380 | 480 | 1069 |
| <i>Aged 18-64</i> | 171 | 88 | 90 | 40 |
| <i>Aged 65+</i> | 638 | 329 | 585 | 319 |
| Total number waiting | 1508 | 965 | 1403 | 1706 |

Please be assured that Management from all areas and personnel from Occupational Therapy 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anna Marie Lanigan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent flourish at the end.

Ms. Anna Marie Lanigan
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