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Deputy Róisín Shortall, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street. Dublin 2.

PQ 41326/19 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting for a primary care audiology appointment by LHO, age and time waiting

-Róisín Shortall

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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 find attached Appendix 1 which contains, in tabular form, the number of persons waiting for a primary care Audiology appointment at August 2019 by LHO area, age time waiting. Please note that September waiting list data as requested will not be generated until the end of October.

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 important to note that the overall total in the attachments represents the entirety of the waiting lists.

The HSE is committed to the provision of high-quality, effective Audiology services in a timely manner. Our data indicates that there were 51,573 attendances at community Audiology services in 2018.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

PP

Siobhán McArdle. Head of Operations Primary Care, **Community Operations**

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