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Deputy Fiona O'Loughlin
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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting to see a community occupational therapist in County Kildare; the number waiting 1, 6, 12 and longer than 18 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

- Fiona O'Loughlin

Dear Deputy O'Loughlin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Number of Children Waiting to see a Community Occupational Therapist in County Kildare	
Total number of children waiting for Primary Care Paediatric Occupational Therapy Service	914
Number of children waiting between 0 – 12 weeks	55
Number of children waiting between 12 – 26 weeks	103
Number of children waiting between 26 – 39 weeks	71
Number of children waiting between 39 – 52 weeks	65
Number of children waiting more than 52 weeks	620

Developmental posts have been prioritised for Primary Care Paediatric Occupational Therapy in the CHO. One post will be allocated to Kildare West Wicklow. It is hoped that the allocation of the resource along with service redesign will assist in reducing this waiting list.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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