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Deputy Fiona O'Loughlin Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

## PQ ref 41861/19

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting to see a speech and language 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.

Primary Care Kildare West Wicklow Speech and Language Therapy waiting lists are as follows; There are no children waiting longer than 12 or 18 months on Primary Care Speech and Language Therapy waiting lists in Kildare West Wicklow. Primary Care Paediatric SLT Services in KWW receive approximately 90-110 referrals per month but this can vary.

Waiting Initial Assessment	KWW
0-4mths	347
4-8mths	105
TOTAL	452
Waiting Initial Therapy	
0-4mths	95
4-8mths	14
TOTAL	109
Waiting Further Therapy	
0-4mths	80
4-8mths	14
8-12mths	2
Total	96

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,

Mary O'Kelly Head of Service Primary Care