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Mr. Brian Stanley T.D.,  
Dáil Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Questions – 16192/20 & 16193/20**

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Laois on the waiting list for occupational therapy; and the number waiting more than 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively - Brian Stanley.**

**&**

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Offaly on the waiting list for occupational therapy; and the number waiting more than 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively - Brian Stanley.**

Dear Deputy Stanley,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline the position as follows for CHO 8 Laois Offaly Occupational Therapy Waiting lists.

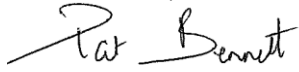
The services do not collect stats for Laois and Offaly separately or for numbers waiting longer than over 1 year.

**Laois/Offaly – as at June 2020**

Age Range	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks - ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52 weeks	>52 weeks
<b>0-4 yrs &amp; 11mths</b>	72	107	85	47	209
<b>5-17 yrs &amp; 11 mths</b>	76	204	127	104	909
<b>18-64 yrs &amp; 11 mths</b>	17	26	18	19	26
<b>65 yrs and over</b>	89	134	98	74	61

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and "B".

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Pat Bennett  
Chief Officer CHO Area 8