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Deputy Réada Cronin
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PQ 19759/20: “To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the CAMHS waiting list in north County Kildare; the average waiting time; the number waiting more than six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter” -Réada Cronin

Dear Deputy Cronin

I refer to the above parliamentary question that you submitted to the Minister for Health, the Minister has requested that the HSE respond directly to you on this matter. I have examined the question raised and the following outlines the position.

There are 4 community CAMHS teams serving Kildare/West Wicklow. When a referral is received from the list of approved referral agents, it is screened by a member of the CAMHS team, in consultation with the Consultant Psychiatrist. Referrals are screened daily during working hours.

All new referrals are discussed at a weekly team meeting. When a referral has been screened, it is then categorised into:

- Emergency
- Urgent
- Routine
- Not appropriate for CAMHS

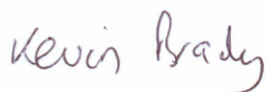
Community CAMHS teams will provide a timely response to all referrals received, dependent on their categorisation of emergency, urgent, routine or not appropriate for CAMHS.

The table sets out the current routine waiting list for each of the four teams.

Time period	South Kildare/ West Wicklow	West Kildare	East Kildare/ West Wicklow	North Kildare	Total
0 to 3 months	1	2	4		7
4 to 6 months	3		3		6
7 to 9 months	8		4		12
10 to 12 months	4				4
> 12 months	3				3
Total	19	2	11	0	32

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

Yours sincerely



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Head of Mental Health