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PQ ref 19823/20 - number of persons on CAMHS waiting list – Dublin 7 and Dublin 15

Dear Deputy Donnelly,

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 the following outlines the position.

The number of children on CAMHS waiting list from Dublin 7 is currently eight children. The wait times for Grangegorman CAMHS are as follows:

Period Waiting Dublin 7	Number of Children
0 to 3 months	5
3 to 6 months	3
6 to 9 months	0
9 to 12 months	0
12 to 15 months	0

The number of children on CAMHS waiting list in Dublin 15 is currently thirty two children. The wait times for the Blanchardstown CAMHS team, Dublin 15 are as follows:

Period Waiting Dublin 15	Number of Children
0 to 3 months	13
3 to 6 months	11
6 to 9 months	5
9 to 12 months	3
12 to 15 months	0

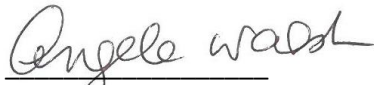
There are currently eight children that have been waiting six months or longer based in the Dublin 15 area. CAMHS DNCC made significant headway in reducing waiting times across the service at the start of this year. Seven out of our eight CAMHS teams had reduced waiting times to six months or lower by March 2020. The service was on target to having many teams with waiting lists of under three months by year end.

The unprecedented and extenuating impacts of the Covid 19 emergency has adversely impacted on

CAMHS DNCC waiting times. The service continues to make all efforts to begin reducing waiting times and all teams have plans in place in this regard in conjunction with CHO Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) resumption of Service.

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

Yours sincerely,



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