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**Deputy Patrick Costello**  
**Dail Eireann**  
**Dublin 2.**

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**To ask the Minister for Health the number of young persons on a waiting list for CAMHS; the number of young persons that have contacted CAMHS for support since March 2020; if additional staffing supports or resources have been introduced since March 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Costello ,

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, based on latest available data to 30th April 2020, outlines the position.

There was 49% reduction in referrals received in April (663) compared to March (1,307). The Waiting list has decreased by 12% to 2,470 in April compared with 2,805 in March and is 6.2% lower than the same period last year (2,633).

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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