

Oifig an tUas. Pat Bennett, Príomhoifigeach, Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail, Lár Tíre, An Lú, An Mhí Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin, An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí. **(: 057 9359787/774 *D:** <u>CHO8@hse.ie</u> Office of Mr. Pat Bennett, Chief Officer, Midlands Louth Meath Community Health Organisation, Health Service Executive, Area Office, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly (: 057 9359787/774 *0: CHO8@hse.ie

26th May, 2020

Mr. Brian Stanley T.D., Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question – 4063/20

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To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting audiology services in counties Laois and Offaly; and the number waiting more than 6 and 12 months and in excess of two years, respectively - Brian Stanley. -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 in below table format.

Numbers awaiting	Community	Audiology	Service

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As of April 2020	Laois	Offaly
Total Adults Waiting	180	294
Waiting 6 months	44	38
Waiting 1 year	132	99
Waiting 2 years	4	157
Paediatrics Over 4's	458	238
Waiting 6 months	62	33
Waiting 1 year	130	54
Waiting 2 years	266	151

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	Laois/Offaly
Paediatrics Under 4's L/O	206
Waiting 6 months	85
Waiting 1 year	34
Waiting 2 years	87

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,

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Pat Bennett Chief Officer CHO Area 8