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To ask the Minister for Health the reason the waiting time for patients of the audiology department in Roscommon is 63 weeks; the average waiting time nationwide; the actions he will take to address the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Kerrane,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Up until March 2020, the Roscommon Audiology services were using the facilities in Clonbrusk Primary Care Centre while waiting for the new build in Roscommon Primary Care Centre. Unfortunately due to Covid-19 we no longer have access to this facility.

We are currently in the process of opening Audiology services in Roscommon with a brand new facility and it is expected to run a service at full capacity once opened. This is due in the next few weeks.

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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