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Ref: PQ 36163/20

Question: To ask the Minister for Health the services offered by the HSE for which there is a waiting list; the median and mean wait time on each list; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for response.

As you will be aware there are a wide range and number of services provided by the HSE, in acute hospitals and community settings, most of which will have a waiting list to some degree. Due to the complexity of the HSE and lack of an integrated eHealth infrastructure, detailed information on the median and mean waiting times on every waiting list for services provided by the HSE is not readily available. Recognising the data gaps which exist in the system, the HSE is investing in improvements in data gathering and collation.

There is information relating to waiting lists in general terms for both Acute and Community services which is publicly available, and links to this information is provided in Appendix 1, which might be of assistance to you. However, as referenced above, the median and mean waiting times are not reported here.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,


Aine O'Connor
Chief Operations Officer

Appendix 1 – HSE Waiting List Data:

HSE Performance Profiles:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/performance-reports/>

NTPF National Waiting List Data:

<https://www.ntpf.ie/home/nwld.htm>