



19 October 2020

Deputy David Cullinane
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Leinster House
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PQ 28174/20 To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults by HSE CHO region that are waiting for dental treatment under general anaesthetic; the maximum waiting period per region; 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.

I wish to advise that the system does not hold data in the manner requested. Table 1 details the data that is readily available for the number of persons with special needs (children and adults) by HSE CHO region that are waiting for dental treatment under general anaesthetic. Please note some returns are incomplete.

Table 1: No. of persons with special needs (children and adults) awaiting appointments for treatment under general anaesthesia

CHO Area	0 – 12 weeks	12 - 26 weeks	26 – 52 weeks	52 weeks +	TOTALS
CHO 1		8	22		30
CHO 2					119
<i>Mayo/Roscommon</i>		45 <i>(max. waiting time 4 months)</i>			
<i>Galway</i>					74 <i>(max waiting time 20. Months)</i>
CHO 3					21
CHO 4					35* (incomplete response)

CHO 5	6	58	33	104	201
CHO 6	1		3	1	5
CHO 7			15		15
CHO 8					38 (adults only)
<i>Louth/Meath</i>					<i>12 adults</i>
<i>Longford/Westmeath</i>					<i>8 adults (max. waiting time is 1 year)</i>
<i>Laois/Offaly</i>					<i>18 adults (max. waiting time is 2 years)</i>
CHO 9					127
DNCC				47	
Dublin North			80 ADULTS (Max. waiting time 6 months)		

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



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