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Deputy Sorca Clarke,
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
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Dublin 2.

PQ ref: 23219/20 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting an appointment with an optometrist by county

-Sorca Clarke

Dear Deputy Clarke,

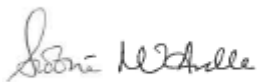
The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

Please see below table which shows the number of children awaiting an appointment with an optometrist by county.

Appendix 1: Ophthalmology - Number of Patients aged 0 to 17 years old waiting for treatment August 2020												
CHO	Former LHO	0 - 4 Yrs 11 Months					5 - 17 Yrs 11 Months					TOTAL
		0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	
CHO1	Cavan Monaghan	18	67	42	46	23	17	6	99	167	58	543
	Donegal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sligo Leitrim	41	28	85	24	16	14	33	47	8	24	320
	CHO1 Total	59	95	127	70	39	31	39	146	175	82	863
CHO2	Galway	103	106	269	301	1,293	42	61	153	100	282	2,710
	Mayo	50	31	61	54	103	23	14	65	31	18	450
	Roscommon	11	24	78	149	341	7	12	25	51	78	776
	CHO2 Total	164	161	408	504	1,737	72	87	243	182	378	3,936
CHO3	Clare	29	11	31	15	14	44	4	116	78	32	374
	Limerick	19	3	15	53	4	8	15	66	19	41	243
	North Tipperary East Limerick	17	10	12	15	8	33	61	61	31	42	290
	CHO3 Total	65	24	58	83	26	85	80	243	128	115	907
CHO4	Kerry	18	11	32	7	25	17	28	117	28	310	593
	North Cork	30	27	58	34	100	7	15	43	33	132	479
	North Lee	108	30	26	8	13	22	39	95	21	152	514
	South Lee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	West Cork	3	0	6	2	0	7	9	16	1	0	44
	CHO4 Total	159	68	122	51	138	53	91	271	83	594	1,630
CHO5	Carlow Kilkenny	41	26	26	3	1	32	18	43	9	0	199
	South Tipperary	74	86	123	50	245	8	21	68	20	83	778
	Waterford	40	41	51	25	0	17	11	36	1	0	222
	Wexford	89	0	0	0	0	67	0	0	0	0	156
	CHO5 Total	244	153	200	78	246	124	50	147	30	83	1,355
CHO6	Dublin South East	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Dun Laoghaire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Wicklow	251	0	0	0	0	220	0	0	0	0	471
	CHO6 Total	251	0	0	0	0	220	0	0	0	0	471
CHO7	Dublin South City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Dublin South West	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Dublin West	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Kildare West Wicklow	61	63	147	123	117	24	37	113	30	43	758
	CHO7 Total	61	63	147	123	117	24	37	113	30	43	758
CHO8	Laos Offaly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Longford Westmeath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Louth	12	28	39	55	172	16	46	94	63	115	640
	Meath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	CHO8 Total	12	28	39	55	172	16	46	94	63	115	640
CHO9	Dublin North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Dublin Nth Central	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Dublin North West	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	CHO9 Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
National Total		1,015	592	1,101	964	2,475	625	430	1,257	691	1,410	10,560

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,



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