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**PQ 59840/21 To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for paediatric occupational therapy services in County Mayo; the number on the list; the average length of time from referral to service delivery; if he has plans to assist in the provision of occupational therapy services by utilising private sector providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Calleary,

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.

There are currently 992 children on the Paediatric Occupational Therapy waiting list in Mayo, of which 724 are waiting more than 52 weeks for an assessment. The average response time for a priority 1 referral is 3 years, based on current staffing levels.

I wish to advise that initiatives are in place to address the waiting lists which includes two agency staff grade posts.

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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