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Deputy Thomas Pringle, TD
Dail Eireann
Leinster House
Kildare Street
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RE: PQ ref 10088/21- To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on waiting lists for mental health supports through the HSE in County Donegal; the length of time persons are waiting; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Pringle

I refer to your recent correspondence in relation to the above and the clarification received following correspondence with Ms Lorraine Doyle. The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

Donegal Mental Health Services can confirm that on 9th March 2021 the numbers of adults who are on the waiting list to be seen for first appointment with a Consultant Psychiatrist.

The waiting times are outlined below:

Waiting 3-6 months	13 People
Waiting > 6 months	1 Person

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

**Madge Toye Temple
Acting General Manager
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