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Deputy Mark Ward,
Dail Eireann,
Dublin 2.

PQ 9029/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on waiting lists for jigsaw; the average waiting time in each of the years 2017 to 2020 and to date in 2021, by CHO area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

The following is a list of the current wait times for Jigsaw services, with the latest available data being March 1st 2021:

Galway	3 weeks
Roscommon	6 weeks
Donegal	1 week
Offaly-Laois	3 weeks
Dublin City	9 weeks
Dublin 15	3 weeks
North Fingal	12 weeks
Dublin South West	7 weeks
Cork	7 weeks
Kerry	3 weeks
Limerick	9 weeks
Meath	4 weeks
Wicklow	9 weeks

The table below sets out the average wait times per service in the years since 2017. Jigsaw does not operate a waiting list (young people are given an appointment date at the point of referral).

Note: There was a significant impact on wait times in 2020 arising from the Covid 19 pandemic (due to service interruption initially, but also reduced service capacity and delays in recruitment to fill clinical gaps).



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Jigsaw service	HSE Area	Date	Average wait time (weeks)
Jigsaw Cork	Area 4	2017	2
		2018	9
		2019	14
		2020	26
Jigsaw Donegal	Area 1	2017	15
		2018	11
		2019	5
		2020	8
Dublin 15	Area 7	2017	8
		2018	4
		2019	9
		2020	12
Dublin City	Area 7 and 9	2017	1
		2018	7
		2019	8
		2020	12
Dublin South West	Area 7	2017	5
		2018	9
		2019	18
		2020	18
Jigsaw Galway	Area 2	2017	3
		2018	8
		2019	2
		2020	5
Jigsaw Kerry	Area 4	2017	2
		2018	3
		2019	6
		2020	8
Jigsaw Laois/Offaly	Area 8	2017	6
		2018	3
		2019	3
		2020	4



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Jigsaw Limerick	Area 3	2017	3
		2018	9
		2019	15
		2020	18
Jigsaw Meath	Area 8	2017	2
		2018	9
		2019	6
		2020	15
Jigsaw North Fingal	Area 9	2017	3
		2018	10
		2019	7
		2020	20
Jigsaw Roscommon	Area 2	2017	6
		2018	6
		2019	5
		2020	5
Jigsaw Wicklow	Area 6 and 7	2017	N/A
		2018	N/A
		2019	N/A
		2020	2

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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General Manager Mental Health Services