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**Eoin Ó Broin TD
Dail Eireann
Leinster House
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Ref: PQ 52601/21

Re: In Dublin Mid West:

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for a speech and language therapy appointment broken down into assessment waiting list, initial assessment waiting list and further treatment waiting list in an area (details supplied); and the number waiting fewer than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively in tabular form.”

- Eoin Ó Broin TD

Dear Deputy Ó Broin,

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.

Dublin Mid West is not a service area in Children’s Disability Services in Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow Community Healthcare.

Children’s Disability Services reconfigured into Children’s Disability Network Teams on the 20th September 2021 in line with the National HSE programme – Progressing Disability Services for Children and Young People (0 -18).

There are now three Children’s Disability Network Teams in the former HSE Dublin West Area and three in the former Dublin South West Area. The model of service provision is Family Centred Practice. Waiting lists and interventions are not held in relation to individual disciplines as this model adopts a goal-orientated interdisciplinary team approach. Unfortunately this does not allow us to provide the information requested from our Children’s Disability Services.

I hope the above information helps you but please don't hesitate to come back to me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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