

21st October 2021

Mr, Padraig O'Sullivan TD. Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

PQ ref 50602/21

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons currently awaiting an assessment of need under the Disability Act 2005 in each local health office area in CHO 4; the corresponding figures for each area at the end of June 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parlimentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

There are currently 452 people currently awaiting an Assessment of Need under the Disability Act 2005.

The breakdown is as follows:

- Kerry 41
- Cork North 60
- Cork North Lee 231
- Cork South Lee 120
- Cork West 0

There were 1098 outstanding assessments in Cork Kerry Community Healthcare at June 2020. Due to the AON waiting list initiative, significant progress has been made to reduce the numbers of children waiting AON assessment.

I trust this addresses the queries raised.

Yours sincerely

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Ms. Majella Daly, Head of Disability Services, Cork Kerry Community Healthcare

