

10th November, 2021

Mr Barry Cowen T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question – 50607/21

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 CHO8; the corresponding figures for each area at the end of June 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Barry Cowen

Dear Deputy Cowen,

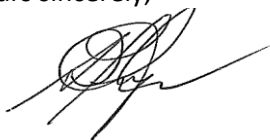
The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

MLM CHO can confirm the numbers of persons currently awaiting an Assessment of Need in CHO8 and corresponding figures for end of June 2020, outlined in the table below:

County	June 2020 Awaiting Assessment of Need	September 2021 Awaiting Assessment of Need
Longford Westmeath	17	29
Laois Offaly	410	192
Louth	111	48
Meath	233	205

I trust the above is in order, please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,



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