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Deputy Mark Ward,
Dail Eireann,
Dublin 2.

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PQ Number: 41795/21

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of locations of CAHMS services across the State; and the operating hours for each service - Mark Ward

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.

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services is a service that provides assessment and treatment for young people and their families who are experiencing mental health difficulties. While a broad range of services support the mental health of children and adolescents, the term 'CAMHS' is usually applied very specifically to services that provide specialist mental health treatment and care to young people up to 18 years of age through a multidisciplinary team. To access a CAMHS service you need to be referred by your GP. The aim of CAMHS is to provide timely high quality assessment and treatment of mental health difficulties for young people and their families.

There are 73 Community CAMHS teams across the nine Community Healthcare Organisation's listed below. Opening times vary from service to service based on service user needs, however generally referrals are screened daily during working hours (Monday to Friday 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.) There are also 4 Child and Adolescent In-Patient Units located in Cork, Galway and 2 in Dublin.

Outside of these hours, or in an emergency situation where no Community CAMHS Team is available, it is advised that the emergency services are contacted or that the child or adolescent is brought to the Emergency Department of the nearest hospital to access a mental health assessment.

In many areas of the country a Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist is on call 24 hours and can be contacted by the Accident and Emergency services if required.



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CHO 1	Cavan
CHO 1	Donegal North Team
CHO 1	Donegal South Team
CHO 1	Inishowen
CHO 1	Monaghan
CHO 1	Sligo (excluding East Sligo)
CHO 1	South Cavan / South Monaghan
CHO 1	West Cavan/Leitrim/East Sligo
CHO 2	Mayo North
CHO 2	Mayo South
CHO 2	North Galway
CHO 2	Roscommon / East Galway
CHO 2	South Galway
CHO 2	West Galway
CHO 3	Clare East
CHO 3	Clare West
CHO 3	East Limerick
CHO 3	Limerick Central
CHO 3	North Tipperary
CHO 3	West Limerick
CHO 4	Cork North Central
CHO 4	Kerry Team 1
CHO 4	Kerry Team 2
CHO 4	North Cork
CHO 4	North Lee East
CHO 4	North Lee West
CHO 4	South Lee / West Cork
CHO 4	South Lee 1
CHO 4	South Lee 2
CHO 4	South Lee 3
CHO 5	Carlow / Kilkenny 1
CHO 5	Carlow / Kilkenny 2
CHO 5	South Tipperary
CHO 5	South Tipperary Team 2
CHO 5	Waterford



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CHO 5	Wexford North
CHO 5	Wexford South
CHO 6	Lucena Century Court Team
CHO 6	Lucena Team A (Dub. 6 14 16)
CHO 6	Lucena Team C (Dub. 2 4 12)
CHO 6	Lucena Wicklow - Arklow
CHO 6	Lucena Wicklow - Bray
CHO 6	Lucena Marine 56
CHO 7	Linn Dara Ballyfermot/St. James
CHO 7	Linn Dara Clondalkin
CHO 7	Linn Dara Community Eating Disorder Service
CHO 7	Linn Dara East Kildare / West Wicklow
CHO 7	Linn Dara Lucan
CHO 7	Linn Dara North Kildare
CHO 7	Linn Dara South Kildare
CHO 7	Linn Dara West Kildare
CHO 7	Lucena Tallaght (Team 1)
CHO 7	Lucena Tallaght (Team 2)
CHO 8	Laois
CHO 8	Laois/Offaly 16/17 years
CHO 8	Longford/Westmeath YAMHS
CHO 8	Longford/North Westmeath
CHO 8	Louth North
CHO 8	Louth South
CHO 8	Meath North
CHO 8	Meath South
CHO 8	Meath South Ashbourne
CHO 8	Offaly
CHO 8	South Louth /East Meath
CHO 8	South Westmeath
CHO 9	Balbriggan
CHO 9	Ballymun
CHO 9	Blanchardstown
CHO 9	Castleknock
CHO 9	Darndale
CHO 9	North East City
CHO 9	North Inner City



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I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

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