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To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting times for an appointment for paediatric occupational therapy appointments in counties Roscommon and Galway; the number of children currently awaiting a first appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Naughten,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

In Roscommon, there are currently 203 children on the Occupational Therapy waiting list. 84 of these are in Disability and 119 of these are in Primary Care with the longest waiting time of 119 weeks. P1 children are seen sooner than this.

The total number of children currently awaiting an Occupational Therapy appointment in Galway is 362 with a current wait time of 64 weeks for 0-4 years and 182 weeks for 5-17 years.

The waiting lists are prioritised and children are seen based on their level of need. The focus is on physical disability, life limiting conditions and children who are failing to meet their developmental milestones.

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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