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**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number on waiting lists to access CAMHS nationally by county in each of the years 2015 to 2021, in tabular form; the waiting times involved to access these appointments; and if he will make a statement on the matter - Marian Harkin**

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Dear Deputy Harkin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

CAMHS provide specialist mental health service to those aged up to 18 years, who have reached the threshold for a diagnosis of moderate to severe mental health disorder that require the input of a multi-disciplinary mental health teams, such as moderate to severe anxiety disorders, moderate to severe depression, Bi Polar Affective disorder, Psychosis, moderate to severe eating disorders, self-harm that require the input of a multi-disciplinary mental health team.

The table below provides detail on the number of those on waiting lists for CAMHS from 2015 to 2021. Waiting Lists are collected by CHO and not by County

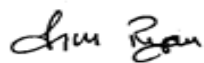
Please note the following:

Waiting list data for CHO 7 for 2021 is under review and therefore subject to change.

	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021	
CHO	Wait List	W/ L > 12 mths	Wait List	W/L > 12 mths	Wait List	W/ L > 12 mths	Wait List	W/ L > 12 mths	Wait List	W/L > 12 mths	Wait List	W/L > 12 mths	Wait List	W /L > 12 mths
CHO 1	402	28	422	93	203	10	263	13	329	39	407	60	351	8
CHO 2	38	2	35	2	36	0	29	0	35	0	43	0	129	0
CHO 3	279	22	284	30	255	43	239	68	188	4	240	43	385	91
CHO 4	522	94	598	75	737	205	752	163	619	145	448	98	702	105
CHO 5	127	0	145	0	140	3	186	31	144	3	266	0	294	13
CHO 6	376	0	366	0	373	2	353	5	412	19	364	14	510	4
CHO 7	155	9	210	0	241	1	183	0	144	0	265	9	280	11
CHO 8	219	0	264	1	299	52	329	31	268	2	432	30	599	28
CHO 9	201	26	189	17	135	4	192	3	188	0	290	12	306	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,319</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>2,513</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>2,419</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>2,327</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>2,755</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>3,556</b>	<b>272</b>

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

Yours sincerely,




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