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PQ 20430/22

'To ask the Minister for Health the number of children that are under the progressive disability programme in a centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.'

Details: Balbriggan North County Dublin

PQ 20431/22

'To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting lists for children in a centre (details supplied) to access services under the progressive disability programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter.'

Details: Balbriggan North County Dublin

Dear Deputy Smith,

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

The Children's Disability Network Teams (CDNT) were established in Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City & County (CHO DNCC) on 20th September 2021. It is a very significant change programme with a new model of service which focuses on outcomes for children and families rather than inputs.

Based on our latest figures from March 2022 there are 145 children on the open active caseload for the Balbriggan CDNT.

The following is a breakdown of the number of children on the waiting list for the Balbriggan CDNT at the end of March

No. of children waiting 0-3 months for an initial contact @ month end	55
No. of children waiting 4-6 months for an initial contact @ month end	45
No. of children waiting 6-12 months for an initial contact @ month end	36
No. of children waiting over 12 months for an initial contact @ month end	341
Total no. of children waiting for an initial contact @ month end	477

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Olive Hanley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Ms Olive Hanley
Head of Service for Disability