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**PQ Number: 2122/22**

**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting for an adult mental health service appointment by CHO, LHO and time waiting; and if he will make a statement on the matter - Cian O' Callaghan**

Dear Deputy O' Callaghan,

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.

### Community Adult Services

Waiting list data for general adult mental health services and Psychiatry of Later Life is not captured nationally, however data relating to access is. Data is available by CHO.

- 90.3% of referred patients were offered an appointment within 12 weeks in Community General Adult Mental Health services to November 2021 against a National Service Plan Target of 90%
- 96% of referred patients were offered an appointment within 12 weeks in Psychiatry of Later Life services to November 2021 against a National Service Plan Target of 98%

In Adult services, those who were not offered an appointment within the 12 weeks' timeframe were offered one subsequently afterwards.

% of accepted referrals / re-referrals offered first appointment within 12 week by General Adult Community Mental Health Team	National	90.3%
	CHO 1	96.5%
	CHO 2	97.0%
	CHO 3	94.1%
	CHO 4	93.0%
	CHO 5	95.5%
	CHO 6	96.9%



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	CHO 7	88.4%
	CHO 8	86.0%
	CHO 9	69.1%

% of accepted referrals / re-referrals offered first appointment within 12 weeks by Psychiatry of Later Life Community Mental Health Teams	<b>National</b>	<b>96.0%</b>
	CHO 1	97.5%
	CHO 2	100.0%
	CHO 3	96.7%
	CHO 4	97.2%
	CHO 5	99.4%
	CHO 6	100.0%
	CHO 7	92.4%
	CHO 8	93.0%
	CHO 9	84.8%

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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