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Mr Robert Troy T.D.,
Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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Re: Parliamentary Question – 36611/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently awaiting an appointment with a psychologist in child mental health services in counties Longford and Westmeath; and the average wait times of these patients. -Robert Troy

Dear Minister Troy,

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 I outline the position as follows.

The psychology service within the CAMHS service in Longford/Westmeath provides comprehensive psychological assessment and intervention services for children and teenagers attending the CAMHS service. Every effort is made to provide timely appointments for all young people in the service. At present, there are 15 children on the waiting list for psychology appointments in Longford/Westmeath. The expected waiting time for a psychology appointment for these children is between 6 and 12 weeks. It is important to note that if children on the psychology waiting list require more urgent support, they may also be seen sooner by other members of the team, as deemed appropriate.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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