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Deputy Denise Mitchell,
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Dear Deputy Mitchell,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following parliamentary question, which was submitted to this department for response.

PQ: 21808/22

To ask the Minister for Health if occupational therapy and speech and language therapy assessments have been temporarily frozen or suspended by the HSE; if so, the reason for doing so; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

HSE Response

Occupational therapy and speech and language therapy assessments are provided across a wide range of HSE services. These services include; acute hospitals, community hospitals, disability services, mental health services and primary care. There has been no suspension of these services.

The HSE is committed to providing appropriate multidisciplinary assessments and supports for its service users. While it is acknowledged that some of these services have long waiting lists there has been no suggestion that waiting lists are closed or that assessments have been suspended.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Bernard O'Regan,
Head of Operations - Disability Services,
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