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Re: PQ/58405/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Clare referred and waiting to be seen by CDNT services by age in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Wynne

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.

Please find below table which indicated the number children waiting to be seen by Clare CDNT, by age, as requested:

Number of Children	Age of Child in Years
2	Under 1
1	1
3	2
2	3
1	4
2	5
4	6
3	7
2	8
4	9
5	10
2	11
4	13
1	14
4	15
1	16
1	17
Total 42	

There is a waiting period for access to the Clare Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT). The HSE are aware that there is a staffing resource challenge across all teams within the Midwest as caseloads have risen

significantly over the past 10 years and the Midwest Community Healthcare is continuously highlighting this need with submissions for additional resources.

The HSE also review resources on a regular basis to allocate any available additional funding to priority areas. The Clare CDNT continues to monitor the waiting times and availability of supports, and continues to seek additional resources accordingly.

I trust this clarifies the situation but should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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