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Re: PQ/50075/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of children aged under 18 years with an intellectual or sensory disability currently referred and waiting to be seen by HSE disabilities and special needs' services in County Clare; the type of services that they are waiting to attend 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.

Children with an intellectual or sensory disability residing in Clare receive their services from the Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT). This team is the provider of services for children with complex difficulties in functional skills and/or applied skill sets required for activities of daily living, learning new skills and social interactions. It may involve interventions in the physical, social, emotional, communication and behavioural domains

Number of Children Referred and waiting to be seen by Clare CDNT	Type of Services they are waiting to attend
99	Services of an interdisciplinary team comprising, where relevant, Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech & Language Therapists, Psychologists, Social Workers and Early Intervention Educators. The services offered are based on a child's individual needs and family priorities, as identified in their Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP).

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

Yours sincerely

General Manager
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