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To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 550 of 27 September 2022, if he will provide a breakdown of the waiting times for those currently on the CAMHS waiting list; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Naughten,

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;

Team	Waiting list	waiting 0-3 months	waiting 3-6 months	waiting 6-9	Wait List >9 months
North Galway	71	38	19	11	3
Roscommon / East Galway	120	3	41	32	17
South Galway	16	15	1	0	0
West Galway	47	24	17	5	1

With funding from the national CAMHS Waiting List Initiative over the remainder of 2022, we expect to address a number of priority routine first referrals on our waiting lists. The waiting list for new referrals into CAMHS continue, however, to increase due to a combination of unprecedented demand pressures and recruitment difficulties.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Charlie Meehan

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