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Ms. Verona Murphy TD  
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**PQ 42499/22**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with special needs currently waiting for dental treatment under anaesthesia at Wexford General Hospital; the number of children with special needs waiting 24, 36 and 48 months and longer, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**PQ 42500/22**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults with special needs currently waiting for dental treatment under anaesthesia at Wexford General Hospital; the number of adults with special needs waiting 24, 36 and 48 months and longer, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which were submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

*I have reviewed the matter and the following outlines the current position.*

Wexford Primary Care Dental Department – Waiting List Numbers for General Anaesthetic – August 2022

Special needs patients currently waiting for dental treatment under anaesthesia at Wexford General Hospital	Waiting 0-6 months	Waiting 6-12 months	Waiting 12 months plus
Children (<16 yrs)	12	8	40
Adults (>16 yrs)	8	21	75

Wexford Primary Care Dental Department – Waiting List Numbers for Children’s Extraction under General Anaesthetic – August 2022

<b>Children’s Extraction general anaesthetic waiting list at Wexford General Hospital</b>	<b>Waiting 0-6 months</b>	<b>Waiting 6-12 months</b>	<b>Waiting 12 months plus</b>
<b>Children (&lt;16 yrs)</b>	65	36	0

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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