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Mr Gary Gannon TD,
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PQ ref 46377/22 To ask the Minister for Health the current average wait times for each Children's Disability Network Team in CHO9 – **Gary Gannon TD**

Dear Deputy Gannon,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Children's Disability Network Teams (CDNT) were established in Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City & County (CHO DNCC) on 20th September 2021. It is a very significant change programme with a new model of service which focuses on outcomes for children and families rather than inputs. An interdisciplinary team will work with each family to develop an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) and support children and parents to reach goals identified on the plan. The focus is on the goals that children and families may meaningfully aim to achieve at home and steps they may take together with the Children's Disability Network Team rather than the number of sessions of therapies like speech and language.

There are 12 Children's Disability Network Teams in CHO DNCC. I may advise the following information on waiting times per team are as follows:

Children Disability Network Teams	0-3 months waiting	3-6 months waiting	6-12 months waiting	12 + months waiting	Total waiting
North Inner City	5	6	7	47	65
Finglas	23	4	27	283	337
Clontarf	6	15	27	67	115
Swords	2	12	13	345	372
Balbriggan	22	45	97	535	699
Blanchardstown	0	15	29	167	211
Blakestown	13	25	56	344	438
Cabra	0	6	54	186	246
Coastal	7	9	10	55	81
Coolock	4	17	11	133	165
Ballymun	12	11	35	63	121
Kilbarrack	7	24	32	209	272

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Olive Hanley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Ms Olive Hanley
Head of Service for Disability