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Ms Sorca Clarke T.D.,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 46780/22**

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are currently waiting for a bed in a residential unit in each LHO area in CHO8; and the number of persons waiting for more than 12 months in tabular form. -Sorca Clarke**

Dear Deputy Clarke,

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 I outline the position as follows

<i>Residential Unit</i>	<i>No. on waiting list</i>	<i>Waiting more than 12 months</i>	<i>Residential Unit</i>	<i>No. on waiting list</i>	<i>Waiting more than 12 months</i>
Beaufort CNU	51	22	St. Vincent's Care Centre Athlone	11	7
St. Joseph's CNU Trim	112	59	St. Joseph's Care Centre Longford	16	2
St. Oliver Plunkett's, Dundalk	12	0	Riada House CNU	34	13
St. Joseph's, Ardee	13	0	Ofalia House Edenderry	16	5
St. Mary's Drogheda	22	6	St. Vincent's CNU Mountmellick	22	6
Boyne View House Drogheda	17	3	St. Bridget's Hospital Shaen	11	2
Cluain Lir Community Nursing Unit	18	0	Birr CNU	31	9
Abbeyleix Community Nursing Unit	0	0			



Of note, the waiting list for long term care (LTC) in a HSE community nursing unit (CNU) is not a true reflection of people waiting for LTC as the majority of the above waiting list are already in LTC in a private nursing home. This is due to their first preference for LTC bed in a CNU was not available.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Des O'Flynn', written over a horizontal line.

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Des O'Flynn  
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