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PQ 47499/22

To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting times for paediatric speech and language therapy in Roscommon, east Galway and Galway as a whole; 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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Primary Care Speech and Language Therapy in Community Healthcare West collect waiting list data in 3 areas for National Metrics:

Waiting Initial Assessment, Waiting Initial Therapy and Waiting Further Therapy.

SLT Waiting List for <i>Initial Assessment</i> for Children			
Primary Care figures only			
Waiting Times	Co. Roscommon	East Galway (inc Glenamaddy & Portumna)	Co. Galway (Total)
0-4 months	51	71	456
4-8 months	0	59	307
8-12 months	0	37	106
12-18 months	0	0	0
18-24 months	0	0	0
TOTAL	51	167	869

SLT Waiting List for <i>Initial Therapy</i> for Children Primary Care figures only			
Waiting Times	Co. Roscommon	East Galway (inc Glenamaddy & Portumna)	Co. Galway (Total)
0-4 months	105	28	236
4-8 months	60	2	71
8-12 months	46	6	48
12-18 months	9	0	15
18-24 months	0	0	0
TOTAL	220	36	370

SLT Waiting List for <i>Further Therapy</i> for Children Primary Care figures only			
Waiting Times	Co. Roscommon	East Galway (inc Glenamaddy & Portumna)	Co. Galway (Total)
0-4 months	0	59	398
4-8 months	0	16	166
8-12 months	0	3	102
12-18 months	0	0	78
18-24 months	0	0	7
TOTAL	0	78	751

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

Yours sincerely,

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