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Deputy Sean Sherlock.
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PQ Number: 16061/23

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting to be seen by child and adolescent mental health services by CHO and LHO; and the length of time that persons are waiting to be seen, in tabular form. – Sean Sherlock

Dear Deputy Sherlock,

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.

CAMHS provide specialist mental health service to those aged up to 18 years, who have reached the threshold for a diagnosis of moderate to severe mental health disorder that require the input of a multi-disciplinary mental health teams, such as moderate to severe anxiety disorders, moderate to severe depression, Bi Polar Affective disorder, Psychosis, moderate to severe eating disorders, self-harm that require the input of a multi-disciplinary mental health team.

The table below provides the latest available information on the number of children and young people waiting to be seen by Community CAMHS as at end of February 2023. Please be advised that this data is subject to change due to ongoing review and validation. Age range is not captured.

| | Total | <= 12 weeks No. | > 12 <= 26 weeks No. | >26 <=39 weeks No. | >39 <=52 Weeks No. | >52 Weeks No. |
|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| National Total | 4,434 | 1,820 | 917 | 581 | 434 | 682 |
| CHO 1 | 432 | 191 | 89 | 72 | 43 | 37 |
| CHO 2 | 309 | 146 | 51 | 36 | 40 | 36 |
| CHO 3 | 376 | 155 | 71 | 36 | 38 | 76 |
| CHO 4 | 888 | 165 | 131 | 117 | 132 | 343 |
| CHO 5 | 333 | 116 | 85 | 66 | 40 | 26 |
| CHO 6 | 746 | 409 | 169 | 86 | 32 | 50 |
| CHO 7 | 412 | 216 | 91 | 50 | 26 | 29 |



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| CHO 8 | 695 | 316 | 141 | 85 | 68 | 85 |
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| CHO 9 | 243 | 106 | 89 | 33 | 15 | 0 |

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Mc Cusker

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National Mental Health Services