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PQ 3313/23

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for all therapies in counties Roscommon and Galway in CHO2 in tabular form”.

Dear Deputy Kerrane

I refer to PQ 3313/23 /22 uploaded on the PAD System on the 23rd January 2023 and due for response on the 6th February 2023 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Health concerning “number of children waiting for all therapies in counties Roscommon and Galway in CHO2 in tabular form”. The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

With regard to Disability Services, please be advised that the reconfiguration process of children’s disability services has been underway in Community Healthcare West (CHW) since October 2021 with the establishment of nine Children’s Disability Network Teams (CDNTs) across CHW. Children and young people with complex needs in Galway and Roscommon receive their services from CDNTs 4 to 9 inclusive.

Wait times for CDNTs are currently not recorded per discipline but are recorded as per national Key Metrics. CDNTs in the HSE work on paper based systems. The absence of electronic health records, in addition to the reconfiguration processes outlined above, means it is not possible to provide the exact information requested in PQ 3313/23. It is anticipated that the National Management Information System for children’s disability services will be delivered to CDNTs in 2023 and will significantly impact on CDNTs having the capacity to generate value data on service delivery efficiently and inform service planning.

Please see below the latest available data (end of December 2022) for CDNTs 4 to 9 which are the key metrics provided on a monthly basis to the National Disability Children’s and Families Team in Community Operations, HSE.

CDNT	4	5	6	7	8	9
No. of children waiting 0-3 months for an initial contact @ Dec 2022	12	19	21	23	20	18
No. of children waiting 4-6 months for an initial contact @ Dec 2022	23	27	38	29	24	32
No. of children waiting 6-12 months for an initial contact @ Dec 2022	135	134	160	158	142	168
TOTAL	170	180	219	210	186	344

I trust that this response has clarified the matter that you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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