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Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail Lár Tire,
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Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte,
Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin,
An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí.

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Mr. Fergus O'Dowd T.D.,
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Parliamentary Question – 63857/22

To ask the Minister for Health the total number of persons awaiting a psychologist report for MHID services in each of the CH08 areas; the current expected waiting time for an assessment; if the he plans to expand services within this area in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Fergus O'Dowd

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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.

Midlands MHID services can confirm that there are 20 patients within the Laois/Offaly MHID Service who are awaiting the completion of psychology reports, waiting times may vary. Within Longford/Westmeath MHID services the current number waiting for a psychological assessment is 2 patients. The Longford/Westmeath MHID expected waiting time for an assessment by psychologists is 8 weeks.

Louth Meath MHID services have confirmed there are currently no service users awaiting psychological assessment or a psychologist report.

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

Yours sincerely,

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