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Deputy Holly Cairns, TD, Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the areas of Cork and Kerry currently served by primary care psychology services; the locations of these services; and the population areas served by each, in tabular form."

Dear Deputy Cairns,

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.

The Primary Care Core Psychology Service functions on a geographical basis covering North Cork, North Lee, South Lee, West Cork and Kerry. The population of the areas covered are outlined below:

Kerry (Community Health care Networks 1,2,3))	Kerry Community Services Building Rathass; Tralee PCC, Centrepoint; Grosvenor Court, Killarney	147,707
North Cork(Community	Mallow Primary Healthcare Centre	9,2657
Health Care Networks 4 & 5)		
North Lee(Community Health Care	Adjacent to Blackpool Shopping Centre and St Mary's Primary Care Centre	191,732
Networks 6 ,7 8,9)	Teach Mhuire	
West Cork(Community Health Care Networks 10)	Skibbereen; Clonakilty Primary Care Centre; Bantry Primary Care Centre	57,052
South Lee(Community	Kinsale Primary Care Centre	200,984
Health Care	Bandon Primary Care Centre	
Networks 11 ,12 13,14)	Block 23, St Finbarrs Hospital	
	Groups may be offered from other settings e.g. Carrigaline PCC; City Hall; GAA Club	

Cork Kerry Community Healthcare Primary Care Psychology has also been funded to address longest waiting children. This waitlist initiative is targeting 180 children who are longest waiting to be seen as a priority in 2023 and the waitlist hub operates from Bessborough in Blackrock, Cork.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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