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Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail Lár Tire,
An Lú, An Mhí

Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte,
Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin,
An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí.

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Mr. Denis Naughten T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
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Re: Parliamentary Question - 29392/23

To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of assessment of need assessments that have been outsourced by the HSE to private providers in CHO8 in 2022 and 2023; the cost of same; 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, which you submitted to the Minister for response. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

Please see below a breakdown of the number of Assessments of Need outsourced by the HSE CHO8 Assessment of Need Offices to private providers 2022 and 2023.

Midlands:

Laois/Offaly	2022	2023
Number of Assessment of Need (AON) Assessments Outsourced to Private Providers	54	56
Cost	€91,050	€94,416

Longford Westmeath	2022	2023
Number of Assessment of Need (AON) Assessments Outsourced to Private Providers	0	26
Cost	0	€63,200



Louth Meath:

Louth	2022	2023
Number of Assessment of Need (AON) Assessments Outsourced to Private Providers	157	140
Cost	€102,050	€113,100

Meath	2022	2023
Number of Assessment of Need (AON) Assessments Outsourced to Private Providers	0	56
Cost	0	€131,500

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

Yours sincerely,

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