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Patrick Costello TD
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Ref: PQ 20691/23

Re: *“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth how many assessment of needs were completed in CHO7 in 2021 and 2022, broken down by CDNT areas.”*

- Patrick Costello TD

Dear Deputy Costello,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I requested that the Business Manager in Disability Services examine the matter and the following outlines the position.

Below is the detail of Assessments completed from January 2021 to April 2023

Assessments completed			
Area	2021	2022	2023 (to end Apr 23)
Dublin South City	107	43	12
Dublin South West	599	194	33
Dublin West	278	97	19
Kildare West Wicklow	386	186	18
Total	1370	520	82


The data provided is by Local Health Office (LHO) area as this is the only detail available from The Assessment Officers' System Database (AOS). The Assessment Officers' System Database (AOS) that we use to facilitate the case management, planning and reporting of assessments and services to children with a disability eligible to apply for an assessment under the Disability Act, 2005 was particularly impacted by the Cyber-attack on HSE Systems and ICT Infrastructure. This has created many challenges for both Disability Services nationally and for system users locally.

The HSE is committed to the development of a new integrated Management Information System for Children's Disability Services, which will include a module on the Assessment of Need process under the Disability Act. This will facilitate the HSE to provide a wide range of reports on AON activity.

I trust this information is of use to you. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catherine Duffy." The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the initials "P.P".

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