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Mr Alan Farrell, TD. Dáil Eireann, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 26318/23 – To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting their initial appointment with CAMHS in CHO9; and if he will make a statement on the matter – **Alan Farrell TD**

Dear Deputy Farrell,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above parliamentary question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The latest available data show that there are currently 245 young people on waiting lists for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) in CHO DNCC. The waiting list is broken down as follows:

Team	Waiting 0 – 3 months	Waiting 3 – 6 months	Waiting 6 – 9 months	Waiting 9 – 12 months
Balbriggan	17	17	5	0
Ballymun	13	19	5	0
Blanchardstown	11	16	2	0
Castleknock	18	12	0	0
North East City	11	1	0	0
Darndale	3	6	4	0
North Inner City	7	3	2	3
Swords	26	18	25	1

CAMHS are continuing to address the number of children waiting for appointments through the National Waiting List Initiative in 2023, with the objective for no young person to wait more than six months for an appointment.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact my office

Yours sincerely,

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