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Francis Noel Duffy TD
Dáil Eireann
Leinster House
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Ref: PQ 46307/23

Re: Ballyboden CDNT

“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he is aware of the current waiting time for a facility (details supplied) for basic support services is in excess of 18 months; his plans to cut these waiting times; if his Department is providing additional resources from Budget 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

- Francis Noel Duffy TD

Dear Deputy Duffy,

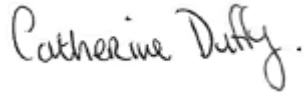
I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I have requested the Children's Disability Network Manager for Children's Disability Network Team 2 –Ballyboden to examine the matter and the following outlines the position.

As per our HSE metrics submission at the end of September, the average waitlist time for services in Ballyboden, CDNT 2 was 15.19 months. The Ballyboden team are experiencing difficulties with staff recruitment and vacancy rates across all areas of the service, which has led to required services being reduced or postponed until vacancies are filled. Every effort is being made to recruit and fill vacancies within the team.

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

Yours sincerely,

P.P

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catherine Duffy." The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

Margaret O'Neill,

Interim Head of Service, Disability Services

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