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Ms. Holly Cairns, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults waiting for primary care psychology services in Cork and Kerry for over 52 weeks, by number of years, 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 adult primary care psychology service in Cork North is provided by two staff grade psychologists, one in North Lee, based in Teach Mhuire in Mayfield and one in North Cork, based in Mallow Primary Healthcare Centre.

The adult primary care psychology services in Cork South and Kerry is limited to the Bandon/Kinsale catchment areas only.

Please see hereunder current waiting times for adult primary care psychology services:

	0-1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	Over 3 years
North Lee	23	0	0	0
North Cork	0	0	20	1

Cork South & Kerry:

There are no clients waiting over 52 weeks for the service. In general, clients are seen within 6 months and where initial appointment is delayed beyond that point, it is generally at the request of the client.

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

Yours sincerely,

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