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Deputy Pádraig Mac Lochlainn
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 14920.24: To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults with type 1 diabetes attending Letterkenny University Hospital; the number of those patients awaiting an annual OPD diabetes review appointment for less than 6, 6-12, 12-24 and over 24 months; the longest patient waiting time for an appointment to see an endocrinologist in the hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Pádraig Mac Lochlainn

Dear Deputy,

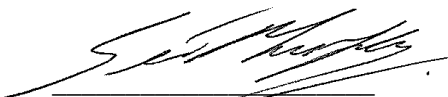
The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

There are currently 522 adults with type 1 diabetes attending Letterkenny University Hospital of which 387 are awaiting a review appointment, 236 are waiting less than 6 months, 112 waiting 6-24 months and 39 waiting greater than 24 months.

The longest patient wait time for a new diabetic appointment with an endocrinologist is 4-6 weeks for Type 1 diabetics.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



**Seán Murphy
General Manager
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