

30th May, 2024

Ms. Holly Cairns,
Dáil Éireann,
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PQ ref 23257/24

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of appointments offered to individual clients and separately the number of group support appointments offered within the north Lee, south Lee, north Cork and west Cork primary care child/adolescent psychology services between 1 May 2023 and 1 May 2024, per grade of psychologist and per month, 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.

Table 1 below displays the number of direct contacts attended in regard to individual clients in each LHO area by staff for each month across senior, staff and psychology assistant grades. Data provided is a total of individual & group direct contacts for clients at this time as data is recorded in this format. Data is not available/recorded by individual clinician.

TABLE 1:

No. of Direct Contacts (Individual & Group Attended) May 2023 to May 2024			
South Lee	North Lee	North Cork	West Cork
177	104	190	175
146	95	75	91
154	79	46	133
69	53	49	145
82	64	100	137
104	84	227	103
92	108	23	154
67	68	63.5	116
78	96	118	96
147	90	256	122
51	63	203	81
91	105	155	126

Table 2 shows the number of group support sessions offered by staff for each month across senior, staff and psychology assistant grades. Data is not available/recorded by individual clinician.

Table 2:

Month	No. of Group Interventions Offered May 2023 to May 2024			
	South Lee	North Lee	North Cork	West Cork
May-23	8	9	0	0
Jun-23	3	11	2	0
Jul-23	6	12	0	4
Aug-23	0	5	0	2
Sep-23	3	13	4	1
Oct-23	3	15	9	1
Nov-23	2	5	1	1
Dec-23	2	4	0	0
Jan-24	1	0	0	0
Feb-24	5	4	8	0
Mar-24	0	0	6	2
Apr-24	1	0	4	1

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

Yours sincerely,



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