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Mr. Rory Hearne, TD,
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PQ 2388/25 “To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the average waiting time for a child to receive a therapy or other support appointment in the period after they have been referred for one following an assessment of need, by CDNT in CHO9 and age category; the number of children waiting less than three months, between three to six months, between six to nine months, and more than nine months to receive a therapy or other support appointment in the period after they have been referred for one following an assessment of need, by CDNT in CHO9 and age category, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.” – **Rory Hearne, TD**

Dear Deputy Hearne,

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

Integrated Health Area Dublin North County (IHA DNC) and Integrated Health Area Dublin North City & West (IHA DNCW), formerly known as CHO comprises 12 Children’s Disability Network Teams (CDNTs). The CDNTs are managed by three lead agencies which include St Michael’s House (SMH), Avista and the Central Remedial Clinic (CRC) and the HSE manage 2 of the CDNTs.

The below table outlines each team and Service Provider with a summary of the numbers of children waiting for some CDNT services. The information in table is accurate as of the last day of January 2025.

Please be assured Disability Services are working to improve the waiting times experienced by some children. The CDNTs support families of children whilst they are awaiting services through various intervention initiatives, including access to webinars, workshops, advice clinics, group interventions among other options.

Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT)	Total Children on waiting list	Waiting 0-3 months	Waiting 4-6 months	Waiting 7-12 months	Waiting over 12 months
CRC Clontarf	137	10	8	14	105
CRC Swords	508	15	3	24	466
CRC Balbriggan	629	12	12	31	574
Avista Blanchardstown	140	2	6	12	120
Avista Blakestown	399	2	7	13	377
Avista Cabra/Grangegorman	193	4	3	3	183
SMH Coastal	49	0	2	2	45
SMH Coolock	114	2	0	2	110
SMH Ballymun	93	1	1	8	83
SMH Kilbarrack	241	1	1	9	230
HSE North Inner City	69	4	9	6	50
HSE Finglas	97	3	15	11	68

I trust this information may assist your query.

Yours sincerely,

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Dublin North City & West