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Mr. Peter Cleere TD.,  
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Leinster House  
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**PQ 7548/25**

***To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth the number of children in Kilkenny waiting for a first Speech & Language Therapy assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter.***

Dear Deputy Cleere,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

*I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.*

I can confirm that there are 193 children currently waiting for a Primary Care Speech and Language Therapy assessment in County Kilkenny.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

**Paul Goff**  
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