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Deputy Paul Nicholas Gogarty.
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

5<sup>th</sup> March 2025

PQ Number: 7698/25

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on the CAMHS assessment waiting lists and CAMHS therapy services waiting list, as of February 2025; the total number in each CHO and LHO, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Paul Nicholas Gogarty

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Dear Deputy Gogarty,

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.

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) provide specialist mental health services to those aged up to 18 years, who have reached the threshold for a diagnosis of **moderate to severe** mental health disorder.

In answer to the Deputy's query *the number of children on the CAMHS assessment waiting lists and CAMHS therapy services waiting list, as of February 2025;* the HSE does not collect this data as part of its monthly Key Performance Indicator suite for Mental Health.

I can advise the Deputy that the table below provides the latest available information on the number of children and young people waiting to be seen by Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services nationally as at end of **January 2025**. Please be advised that this data is preliminary and subject to change and amendment pending ongoing review and validation prior to publication on the HSE website. Age range is not captured.

## Waiting List data by Regional Health Area as of January 2025

RHA Area	Total No. waiting to be seen	<= 12 wks No.	> 12 <= 26 wks No.	>26 <=39 wks No.	>39 <=52 Wks No.	>52 Wks No.
National	4,200	1,554	837	662	435	712
HSE Dublin &						
Midlands	841	315	182	131	96	117
HSE Dublin & North						
East	916	246	212	173	117	168

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	HSE Dublin & South						
	East	559	382	102	49	23	**
	HSE Mid West	198	91	47	44	16	**
	HSE South West	1,069	197	153	166	142	411
	HSE West & North						
	West	617	323	141	99	41	13

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please note: The low numbers reported by HSE Dublin & South East and HSE Mid-West (where the numbers reported are less than 5) are not being released in order to comply with GDPR guidelines.

I trust this information is of assistance you.

Yours Sincerely,

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