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Deputy Pa Daly,
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“To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on CAMHS waiting lists in Kerry, broken down by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Daly,

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

On the 30th June 2025 the Kerry CAMHS waiting list was as follows.

Team	< 3 Months No.	3 - 6 Months No.	6 - 9 Months No.	9 - 12 Months No.	12 - 15 Months No.	15 - 18 Months No.	> 18 Months No.	Total
North Kerry	9	15	18	4	23	16	3	88
South Kerry	18	22	11	11	10	0	0	72

HSE South West acknowledges the lengthy waiting times that parents are experiencing. We sincerely regret that any child must wait for an assessment. We fully appreciate the level of stress that families are experiencing due to the current waiting times. Recruitment across CAMHS is ongoing and every effort is being made to ensure vacant posts are filled as quickly as possible. We are actively focused on reducing the overall waiting lists, with particular focus on those waiting longest for access to CAMHS.

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Declan Cronin
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