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Mr. Pa Daly, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on physiotherapy 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 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.

Please see table with Kerry Physiotherapy waiting lists outlined below:

No. of Adults & Children on Physiotherapy Waiting lists in Kerry as at 30.06.2025			
Waiting Time	Community Healthcare Network 1 Kerry North	Community Healthcare Network 2 West Kerry	Community Healthcare Network 3 South Kerry
0 ≤ 12 weeks	328	297	477
12 ≤ 26 weeks	246	36	162
26 ≤ 39 weeks	224	5	153
39 ≤ 52 weeks	171	6	206
52 + weeks	326	28	755

I acknowledge that this timeframe for such a service is less than desirable, and I apologise for same. A number of factors lead wait times to longer wait times, and these include a growth in demand for services and also vacant posts (which we are recruiting to fill). Reducing waiting times is a priority for the service, and we are actively working on strategies which include resource allocation; validation of waiting lists; streamlining process and optimising existing workloads, as well as recruitment to vacant/replacement posts. All of these efforts and increased resources are directed at reducing waiting times.

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

Yours sincerely,

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