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Deputy Johnny Guirke
Dáil Éireann
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Re PQ 11394/25 - To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of children on the waiting list for occupational therapy services in Meath; and if she will make a statement on the matter – Johnny Guirke

Dear Deputy Guirke,

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 outlined the position for Disability and Primary Care Services below.

Children's Disability Network Teams (CDNT) have been established under the National Progressing Disability Services for Children and Young People programme of change. The Progressing Disability Services model is an interdisciplinary model and as such waiting lists are not kept for individual disciplines as this does not reflect the nature of the support provided for children with complex needs.

Primary Care Community Healthcare Network	No. of children on OT waitlist
East Meath	711
Southwest Meath	436
Central Meath	305
North Meath & Ardee	107

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Clerkin
IHA Manager Louth Meath