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Deputy Michael Cahill Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on waiting lists for Jigsaw in CHO4 at the end of February 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Cahill,

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.

Jigsaw is a S39 agency, a Service Level Agreement with Jigsaw is held nationally. Below is the information Jigsaw have provided to Mental Health Services regarding their service in Cork and Kerry.

Please note that it is not possible to provide retrospective waiting numbers, so I have included the most upto-date information as of 11th March 2025, which was the last time this data was recorded.

The numbers provided reflect young people awaiting their first appointment after this date, so some of these appointments may have already taken place. As of 11th March 2025, there are 233 young people awaiting appointments in Cork and 102 in Kerry. The current wait times are 9.5 weeks in Cork and 9 weeks in Kerry.

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

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Collins Acting Head of Service Mental Health Services