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Aidan Farrelly TD
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Ref: PQ 23498/25

Re: Children Disability Network Team – North Kildare

“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he will provide a schedule of waiting lists, to include banded waiting times, in the CDNT in North Kildare for occupational therapy, psychology, physiotherapy, speech and language therapy and dietetics.”

-Aidan Farrelly

Dear Deputy Farrelly,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Parliamentary Question posed by you in relation to waiting times does not align with the model of service or with the type of waiting lists we hold and therefore cannot be answered in that way.

The number of children currently on the waitlist is 77.

Currently, CDNTs face significant vacancy rates across key health and social care disciplines, including occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, physiotherapy, psychology, and social work. Disability Services, in collaboration with recruitment partners, have launched local, national, and international recruitment campaigns to address these shortages and remains committed to exploring all avenues to fill these vital roles.

Disability Services continues to prioritize resolving challenges in service provision, ensuring that children with disabilities in County Kildare and Dublin South have access to the support and resources they need for their development.

I trust this information is of use to you. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret O'Neill,
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