



27th May, 2025

Deputy Pa Daly,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2,

PQ ref 23758/25

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on physiotherapy waiting lists in County 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.

The Physiotherapy Waiting lists in Primary Care presently, are as follows:

Waiting Time	Community Healthcare Network 1 Kerry North	Community Healthcare Network 2 West Kerry	Community Healthcare Network 3 South Kerry
0 ≤ 12 weeks	297	283	394
12 ≤ 26 weeks	221	201	190
26 ≤ 39 weeks	237	161	194
39 ≤ 52 weeks	165	110	166
52 + weeks	305	19	625

The Physiotherapy Waiting lists [Acute Hospital Service only] at University Hospital Kerry presently, are as follows:

Service	Number of Patients Waiting	Longest Wait Time (days)
OPD MSK	74	111
Pelvic Health	548	851
Lymphoedema	4	7
Oxygen Clinic	61	



The HSE acknowledge that the current wait times for services are less than ideal, and apologise for this. These delays are due to several factors, including increased demand for services and challenges related to staffing shortages. The HSE's top priority is to increase resources throughout and reduce waiting times. We are actively implementing strategies to improve resource allocation, validate waiting lists, streamline processes and optimise existing workloads, ultimately working towards providing timely access for all to services.

I trust this clarifies the position and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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