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**To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on a waiting list for pre-exposure prophylaxis by clinic and wait time, in tabular form**

Dear Deputy Rice,

Thank you for your question to the Minister for Health, which was forwarded to my office to respond to you directly.

A number of services currently have waiting lists for new PrEP appointments. While these services have waiting lists for self-referrals, they continue to accept urgent referrals who are offered an appointment to be seen within 1 month and are not included on a waiting list.

Waiting lists need to be interpreted with caution. Services report that when they contact individuals on their waiting list to offer them an appointment, a proportion are already engaged with a different PrEP service. In addition, some individuals who attend a service for the first time are seeking to transfer their care to a more convenient location rather than actually access PrEP for the first time.

The following services currently maintain a waiting list:

<b>Public PrEP Service</b>	<b># on waiting list</b>	<b>Wait time (for self-referrals) to be offered an new appointment</b>
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	304	Ca. 9 months
St. Vincent's University Hospital	410	Ca. 13 months
Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise	90	Ca. 6-12 months
Midland Regional Hospital Mullingar	27	Ca. 3 months
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	31	Ca. 5-6 months

Yours Sincerely,

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