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Deputy Cahill,
Dáil Éireann,
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PQ 44895/25 To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting psychological treatment in each county in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

- Michael Cahill

Dear Deputy Cahill,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (44895/25) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The HSE is committed to delivering efficient high-quality services to all eligible service users. In 2024, there were 41,984 patients seen by HSE Primary Care Psychology services. Each Health Region is focused on improving access to care in order to reduce waiting times for patients in the context of resources available.

Please find the attached appendix, which contains, in tabular form, details of the Children's Primary Care Psychology waiting list for each CHO and RHA area as of 2020 to July 2025 which is the latest data available at this time.

Appendix 1 –Children's Primary Care Psychology Waiting List December 2020 to July 2025

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

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General Manager
Primary Care Access & Integration

Psychology - Number of 0-17 years & 11 months old Patients waiting for treatment December 2020

CHO	Former LHO	0 - 4 Years					5 - 17 Years					TOTAL
		0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	12	4	1	5	1	88	59	26	34	5	235
	Donegal	1	1	0	0	0	33	41	32	100	146	354
	Sligo Leitrim	0	3	3	5	2	6	42	9	56	28	154
	CHO1 Total	13	8	4	10	3	127	142	67	190	179	743
CHO 2	Galway	36	10	4	7	14	64	32	60	118	836	1,181
	Mayo	14	11	2	17	35	44	34	25	48	156	386
	Roscommon	5	3	4	6	5	11	9	2	12	52	109
	CHO2 Total	55	24	10	30	54	119	75	87	178	1,044	1,676
CHO 3	Clare	12	4	1	1	4	24	12	16	19	78	171
	Limerick	13	1	6	6	8	32	14	22	37	126	265
	North Tipperary East Limerick	2	0	0	1	2	17	4	2	11	51	90
	CHO3 Total	27	5	7	8	14	73	30	40	67	255	526
CHO 4	Kerry	4	3	2	1	3	16	20	19	22	127	217
	North Cork	16	1	1	3	0	30	12	10	22	24	119
	North Lee	16	9	2	3	4	42	28	38	47	246	435
	South Lee	8	5	7	7	7	40	25	16	55	353	523
	West Cork	1	0	0	0	1	16	16	10	20	55	119
	CHO4 Total	45	18	12	14	15	144	101	93	166	805	1,413
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	1	0	0	0	0	19	12	11	8	7	58
	South Tipperary	10	2	1	8	9	35	21	16	40	85	227
	Waterford	5	6	4	9	4	77	36	34	56	128	359
	Wexford	7	1	4	1	6	58	48	18	31	170	344
	CHO5 Total	23	9	9	18	19	189	117	79	135	390	988
CHO 6	Dublin South East	37	3	0	0	0	22	13	0	0	0	75
	Dun Laoghaire	7	4	3	3	1	19	22	9	34	19	121
	Wicklow	5	8	3	6	0	40	24	10	27	13	136
	CHO6 Total	49	15	6	9	1	81	59	19	61	32	332
CHO 7	Dublin South City	13	4	1	8	15	20	10	7	20	94	192
	Dublin South West	4	2	3	7	127	11	17	12	32	178	393
	Dublin West	8	6	4	8	22	17	31	18	50	358	522
	Kildare West Wicklow	10	12	4	16	26	60	34	23	54	339	578
	CHO7 Total	35	24	12	39	190	108	92	60	156	969	1,685
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	2	2	0	0	0	64	16	16	1	0	101
	Longford Westmeath	0	0	0	0	0	18	24	7	1	0	50
	Louth	16	4	0	1	0	67	10	3	4	0	105
	Meath	13	15	8	1	3	29	98	68	39	46	320
	CHO8 Total	31	21	8	2	3	178	148	94	45	46	576
CHO 9	Dublin North	2	4	2	8	93	44	41	38	42	487	761
	Dublin Nth Central	4	10	0	4	24	10	16	1	17	90	176
	Dublin North West	6	2	2	6	26	41	36	20	60	615	814
	CHO9 Total	12	16	4	18	143	95	93	59	119	1,192	1,751
National Total		290	140	72	148	442	1,114	857	598	1,117	4,912	9,690

Psychology - Number of 0-17 years & 11 months old Patients waiting for treatment December 2021

CHO	Former LHO	0 - 4 Years					5 - 17 Years					TOTAL
		0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	18	13	7	3	5	77	82	62	38	75	380
	Donegal	0	0	1	0	0	16	38	24	29	99	207
	Sligo Leitrim	5	4	3	0	0	16	23	25	16	27	119
	CHO1 Total	23	17	11	3	5	109	143	111	83	201	706
CHO 2	Galway	12	10	4	1	5	18	22	21	15	347	455
	Mayo	16	10	9	9	13	55	41	42	26	104	325
	Roscommon	6	5	3	3	7	23	23	20	11	72	173
	CHO2 Total	34	25	16	13	25	96	86	83	52	523	953
CHO 3	Clare	4	5	3	0	7	24	41	29	6	53	172
	Limerick	15	20	20	10	10	21	22	18	10	20	166
	North Tipperary East Limerick	2	2	1	1	2	8	9	10	5	22	62
	CHO3 Total	21	27	24	11	19	53	72	57	21	95	400
CHO 4	Kerry	15	5	5	3	7	44	49	29	19	154	330
	North Cork	5	13	6	6	6	50	146	45	22	30	329
	North Lee	28	20	4	4	6	102	173	49	37	222	645
	South Lee	9	17	6	6	11	93	68	80	36	424	750
	West Cork	2	7	1	0	0	23	17	23	11	54	138
	CHO4 Total	59	62	22	19	30	312	453	226	125	884	2,192
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	3	1	5	1	0	42	37	48	30	3	170
	South Tipperary	14	12	4	4	5	32	30	28	21	97	247
	Waterford	6	17	8	10	6	78	106	108	67	108	514
	Wexford	11	8	3	1	1	77	67	40	28	37	273
	CHO5 Total	34	38	20	16	12	229	240	224	146	245	1,204
CHO 6	Dublin South East	3	8	2	0	0	5	7	7	1	0	33
	Dun Laoghaire	10	7	4	1	0	40	18	18	6	0	104
	Wicklow	11	12	4	0	1	64	38	32	15	4	181
	CHO6 Total	24	27	10	1	1	109	63	57	22	4	318
CHO 7	Dublin South City	4	8	3	4	20	6	24	15	15	73	172
	Dublin South West	18	12	11	8	17	55	39	25	46	211	442
	Dublin West	2	12	9	6	26	4	35	45	62	436	637
	Kildare West Wicklow	22	17	4	0	23	134	62	56	27	410	755
	CHO7 Total	46	49	27	18	86	199	160	141	150	1,130	2,006
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	4	4	0	0	0	53	58	21	0	0	140
	Longford Westmeath	0	0	0	0	0	22	24	6	1	3	56
	Louth	28	7	5	2	0	81	45	16	14	0	198
	Meath	15	13	2	4	0	83	75	28	11	3	234
	CHO8 Total	47	24	7	6	0	239	202	71	26	6	628
CHO 9	Dublin North	8	8	7	6	92	72	58	65	55	558	929
	Dublin Nth Central	15	9	13	0	2	22	17	25	7	36	146
	Dublin North West	21	24	12	8	15	117	94	83	55	600	1,029
	CHO9 Total	44	41	32	14	109	211	169	173	117	1,194	2,104
National Total		332	310	169	101	287	1,557	1,588	1,143	742	4,282	10,511

Psychology - Number of 0-17 years & 11 months old Patients waiting for treatment December 2022												
CHO	Former LHO	0 - 4 Years					5 - 17 Years					TOTAL
		0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	20	19	18	7	8	88	121	106	123	108	618
	Donegal	4	4	0	0	0	22	45	38	14	11	138
	Sligo Leitrim	8	10	4	4	5	26	38	33	18	57	203
	CHO1 Total	32	33	22	11	13	136	204	177	155	176	959
CHO 2	Galway	12	23	11	11	22	56	69	70	48	427	749
	Mayo	20	24	21	13	8	53	38	54	36	60	327
	Roscommon	1	1	5	4	4	10	13	16	8	43	105
	CHO2 Total	33	48	37	28	34	119	120	140	92	530	1,181
CHO 3	Clare	14	4	1	1	1	38	46	28	14	6	153
	Limerick	37	16	8	5	1	49	31	29	11	2	189
	North Tipperary East Limerick	2	2	2	1	0	17	14	7	2	5	52
	CHO3 Total	53	22	11	7	2	104	91	64	27	13	394
CHO 4	Kerry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	North Cork	20	11	6	9	6	52	50	54	55	193	456
	North Lee	10	30	22	9	18	100	85	92	89	446	901
	South Lee	43	28	10	18	34	135	144	201	108	601	1,322
	West Cork	9	3	4	6	2	38	25	38	33	89	247
	CHO4 Total	82	72	42	42	60	325	304	385	285	1,329	2,926
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	10	5	1	3	0	62	43	29	30	23	206
	South Tipperary	17	19	6	0	0	61	56	37	13	50	259
	Waterford	6	17	8	10	6	78	106	108	67	108	514
	Wexford	11	11	3	1	0	106	88	16	7	5	248
	CHO5 Total	44	52	18	14	6	307	293	190	117	186	1,227
CHO 6	Dublin South East	36	24	3	1	12	38	17	15	6	21	173
	Dun Laoghaire	9	4	5	2	2	29	13	20	14	24	122
	Wicklow	18	19	10	2	0	60	53	79	29	7	277
	CHO6 Total	63	47	18	5	14	127	83	114	49	52	572
CHO 7	Dublin South City	5	5	7	5	11	12	22	26	29	106	228
	Dublin South West	14	7	15	16	47	53	46	84	95	251	628
	Dublin West	9	16	11	17	39	31	72	104	75	608	982
	Kildare West Wicklow	15	15	20	16	14	149	131	108	105	303	876
	CHO7 Total	43	43	53	54	111	245	271	322	304	1,268	2,714
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	3	0	0	0	0	15	55	17	0	0	90
	Longford Westmeath	3	4	5	3	0	46	75	70	30	11	247
	Louth	30	19	5	0	0	65	83	37	12	0	251
	Meath	27	13	7	7	0	131	110	65	70	6	436
	CHO8 Total	63	36	17	10	0	257	323	189	112	17	1,024
CHO 9	Dublin North	15	16	14	6	69	70	66	103	51	534	944
	Dublin Nth Central	38	41	31	9	28	73	69	71	45	96	501
	Dublin North West	58	70	30	13	11	135	107	100	61	229	814
	CHO9 Total	111	127	75	28	108	278	242	274	157	859	2,259
National Total		524	480	293	199	348	1,898	1,931	1,855	1,298	4,430	13,256

Note: Non Return CHO4 (Kerry)

Psychology - Number of 0-17 years & 11 months old Patients waiting for treatment December 2023												
RHA	Former LHO	0 - 4 Yrs 11 Months					5 - 17 Yrs 11 Months					TOTAL
		0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	
HSE Dublin & Midlands	Dublin South City	5	13	5	6	10	14	32	37	33	107	262
	Dublin South West	12	16	14	11	26	49	83	65	35	466	777
	Dublin West	8	21	9	6	16	48	63	62	36	568	837
	Kildare West Wicklow	29	32	27	15	26	108	139	114	125	523	1,138
	Laois Offaly	14	3	2	0	0	60	53	28	1	2	163
	Longford Westmeath	5	12	11	21	0	37	81	61	106	130	464
	HSE Dublin & Midlands	73	97	68	59	78	316	451	367	336	1,796	3,641
HSE Dublin & North East	Cavan Monaghan	15	10	18	10	23	64	70	104	80	386	780
	Dublin North	50	48	61	31	61	107	104	95	112	415	1,084
	Dublin North Central	41	41	34	35	72	81	77	82	90	195	748
	Dublin North West	114	53	26	12	28	206	158	138	75	164	974
	Louth	18	20	24	0	0	108	111	108	45	0	434
	Meath	27	22	15	7	5	127	152	84	93	131	663
	HSE Dublin & North East	265	194	178	95	189	693	672	611	495	1,291	4,683
HSE Dublin & South East	Carlow, Kilkenny	10	4	2	2	0	50	16	30	36	35	185
	Dublin South East	15	19	6	4	10	28	19	13	17	26	157
	Dun Laoghaire	16	36	13	12	6	38	54	51	27	44	297
	Tipperary South	32	12	16	7	5	78	70	54	51	52	377
	Waterford	7	13	15	11	8	73	141	182	138	110	698
	Wexford	19	15	9	7	0	89	156	63	86	34	478
	Wicklow	20	24	13	6	4	71	75	51	35	33	332
	HSE Dublin & South East	119	123	74	49	33	427	531	444	390	334	2,524
HSE Mid-West	Clare	13	8	5	4	2	63	82	75	34	42	328
	Limerick	25	14	13	11	2	96	66	54	45	13	339
	North Tipperary East Limerick	3	2	1	3	2	14	21	20	8	10	84
	HSE Mid-West	41	24	19	18	6	173	169	149	87	65	751
HSE South West	Kerry	15	10	8	5	1	45	80	36	60	283	543
	North Cork	15	21	12	7	17	50	56	53	61	322	614
	North Lee	41	40	23	12	28	78	150	132	102	756	1,362
	South Lee	22	18	22	15	59	85	126	135	144	956	1,582
	West Cork	17	8	9	5	5	35	33	40	40	154	346
	HSE South West	110	97	74	44	110	293	445	396	407	2,471	4,447
HSE West & North West	Donegal	0	7	2	3	3	18	46	33	20	31	163
	Galway	15	18	10	4	14	38	81	94	100	494	868
	Mayo	39	37	32	18	33	72	66	92	59	232	680
	Roscommon	7	2	1	0	3	20	18	42	17	29	139
	Sligo Leitrim	2	7	5	5	5	5	26	28	26	85	194
	HSE West & North West	63	71	50	30	58	153	237	289	222	871	2,044
National Total		671	606	463	295	474	2,055	2,505	2,256	1,937	6,828	18,090

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HSE Dublin & Midlands	Dublin South City	3	9	7	8	15	11	25	33	35	333	479
	Dublin South West	15	25	15	14	35	19	61	65	54	605	908
	Dublin West	1	12	17	22	33	3	36	49	55	706	934
	Kildare West Wicklow	25	29	23	11	40	99	114	121	99	667	1,228
	Laois Offaly	20	8	6	2	0	79	51	54	8	2	230
	Longford Westmeath	11	31	14	16	34	66	171	144	86	329	902
	HSE Dublin & Midlands	75	114	82	73	157	277	458	466	337	2,642	4,681
HSE Dublin & North East	Cavan Monaghan	11	5	9	2	27	56	68	92	51	415	736
	Dublin North	132	102	64	42	154	240	131	127	112	510	1,614
	Dublin North Central	54	39	30	42	91	93	68	67	96	439	1,019
	Dublin North West	86	68	63	33	42	196	197	184	166	368	1,403
	Louth	28	27	11	0	0	137	154	115	29	0	501
	Meath	23	31	22	8	11	131	128	136	112	262	864
	HSE Dublin & North East	334	272	199	127	325	853	746	721	566	1,994	6,137
HSE Dublin & South East	Carlow, Kilkenny	15	4	4	5	4	87	50	70	51	62	352
	Dublin South East	9	23	6	7	6	39	44	15	12	32	193
	Dun Laoghaire	11	17	8	7	14	49	63	38	30	74	311
	Tipperary South	23	15	11	9	9	57	69	73	64	80	410
	Waterford	7	24	14	23	12	90	179	196	144	289	978
	Wexford	18	8	15	4	15	94	163	87	85	284	773
	Wicklow	12	17	6	5	0	52	46	45	28	14	225
	HSE Dublin & South East	95	108	64	60	60	468	614	524	414	835	3,242
HSE Mid-West	Clare	9	16	7	3	4	52	105	54	29	75	354
	Limerick	15	16	11	7	21	66	71	53	76	95	431
	North Tipperary East Limerick	1	7	2	3	7	4	20	46	47	56	193
	HSE Mid-West	25	39	20	13	32	122	196	153	152	226	978
HSE South West	Kerry	9	18	14	8	19	55	105	112	79	522	941
	North Cork	21	31	10	8	16	68	62	77	72	404	769
	North Lee	28	37	29	25	70	91	105	168	123	1223	1,899
	South Lee	31	28	34	19	75	106	140	145	166	1393	2,137
	West Cork	16	6	12	7	8	25	34	43	49	270	470
	HSE South West	105	120	99	67	188	345	446	545	489	3,812	6,216
HSE West & North West	Donegal	14	16	10	2	0	106	109	41	18	28	344
	Galway	14	30	28	21	19	41	89	121	110	680	1,153
	Mayo	25	25	18	17	41	62	59	40	37	349	673
	Roscommon	7	13	4	5	10	35	36	33	30	96	269
	Sligo Leitrim	1	2	2	5	1	4	9	24	18	57	123
	HSE West & North West	61	86	62	50	71	248	302	259	213	1,210	2,562
National Total		695	739	526	390	833	2,313	2,762	2,668	2,171	10,719	23,816

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RHA	Former LHO	0 - 4 Yrs 11 Months					5 - 17 Yrs 11 Months					TOTAL
		0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks - ≤ 26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	
HSE Dublin & Midlands	Dublin South City	3	3	8	7	21	18	37	36	27	380	540
	Dublin South West	23	21	16	17	49	79	78	45	57	820	1,205
	Dublin West	0	7	2	8	51	4	39	2	52	969	1,134
	Kildare West Wicklow	18	24	20	20	34	111	132	125	99	604	1,187
	Laois Offaly	0	1	2	1	0	31	26	9	10	0	80
	Longford Westmeath	9	21	16	15	36	28	104	107	113	523	972
	HSE Dublin & Midlands	53	77	64	68	191	271	416	324	358	3,296	5,118
HSE Dublin & North East	Cavan Monaghan	11	6	1	3	16	92	57	39	36	449	710
	Dublin North	85	132	129	132	101	364	240	262	116	892	2,453
	Dublin North Central	49	41	36	19	98	78	99	88	61	585	1,154
	Dublin North West	65	63	54	46	63	223	233	217	160	719	1,843
	Louth	24	24	14	0	0	128	156	56	37	0	439
	Meath	20	18	6	13	14	113	143	114	119	329	889
	HSE Dublin & North East	254	284	240	213	292	998	928	776	529	2,974	7,488
HSE Dublin & South East	Carlow, Kilkenny	9	10	6	2	4	64	75	42	57	112	381
	Dublin South East	17	16	6	10	6	36	38	20	18	36	203
	Dun Laoghaire	20	19	14	9	8	36	63	49	44	130	392
	Tipperary South	20	14	13	8	11	77	63	51	55	141	453
	Waterford	3	23	30	14	31	91	139	175	196	430	1,132
	Wexford	5	26	13	4	12	50	120	82	96	370	778
	Wicklow	12	15	4	2	0	79	72	47	15	0	246
	HSE Dublin & South East	86	123	86	49	72	433	570	466	481	1,219	3,585
HSE Mid-West	Clare	13	11	11	5	4	69	91	50	22	102	378
	Limerick	21	18	9	7	23	116	115	62	66	207	644
	North Tipperary East Limerick	4	13	4	3	6	8	35	16	17	140	246
	HSE Mid-West	38	42	24	15	33	193	241	128	105	449	1,268
HSE South West	Kerry	19	23	4	8	13	72	92	45	59	658	993
	North Cork	39	19	13	20	31	107	70	59	54	513	925
	North Lee	33	40	18	25	100	135	149	104	92	1565	2,261
	South Lee	43	40	22	17	86	138	139	123	120	1589	2,317
	West Cork	15	7	9	1	14	54	47	28	38	344	557
	HSE South West	149	129	66	71	244	506	497	359	363	4,669	7,053
HSE West & North West	Donegal	11	14	10	7	4	108	88	77	67	32	418
	Galway	12	17	14	15	33	55	93	74	106	832	1,251
	Mayo	30	23	28	14	70	78	127	90	72	579	1,111
	Roscommon	3	10	7	6	16	45	49	53	24	162	375
	Sligo Leitrim	5	2	2	2	4	19	25	21	10	58	148
	HSE West & North West	61	66	61	44	127	305	382	315	279	1,663	3,303
National Total		641	721	541	460	959	2,706	3,034	2,368	2,115	14,270	27,815