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To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting surgical removal of their wisdom teeth in CHO8, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

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

The HSE Community Dental Service provides emergency care, dental examinations and treatment to children up to the age of 16. The service also provides dental treatment directly to a range of adult patients with additional needs, with the majority of adult medical card holders being provided with access through the DTSS. A small proportion of children and adults with additional needs will be identified as being unable to accept dental care without the assistance of sedation.

Waiting lists identified over the past number of years for patients waiting for dental services are organised by speciality (e.g. oral surgery, orthognathic surgery) or by facilities required (e.g. General Anaesthetic). The Health Regions do not hold waiting lists specifically for the surgical removal of wisdom teeth.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

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Assistant National Director, Oral Health**