

12th February, 2024

Mr. Thomas Gould, T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2

PQ ref 54823/23

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in Cork currently awaiting an appointment for ophthalmology by waiting time, in tabular form."

Dear Deputy Gould,

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.

**Cork Community Paediatric Ophthalmology Services waiting time for assessment
(Please note data provided December 2023)**

Sector	Type of Patient	No. of children waiting for an assessment	Wait Time
Community Paediatric Ophthalmology Services	New	1051	5 – 6 months

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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