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Deputy O'Dowd,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
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**PQ 16185/24 To ask the Minister for Health how many adults are currently waiting for audiology services; and if he will make a statement on the matter**

**-Fergus O'Dowd**

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Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (16185/24) 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 2023, there were 56,322 patients seen by HSE Primary Care Audiology services. Primary Care Operations is focused on improving access to care in order to reduce waiting times for patients. This includes monitoring the waiting list on an on-going basis in the context of available resources.

Please find the attached appendix, which contains, in tabular form, details of the Audiology waiting list for adults each CHO area, as at the end of February 2024 which is the latest data available at this time.

Appendix 1 – Audiology Waitlist for adults as at the end of February 2024

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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