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Re: PQ/7331/24

*To ask the Minister for the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide the waiting list for assessments of need for children in Clare, by time waiting, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.*

**Dear Deputy Wynne**

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 Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth.

The table attached presents waiting times for children in County Clare who have been determined eligible for an Assessment of Need (AON) and referred for a multi-disciplinary assessment. There are 63 children on the AON waiting list with a wait time ranging from 0 to 32 months, correct as of 11.06.2024.

The numbers indicated are not reflective of children who are in receipt of services from the Clare Children's Disability Network Team and waitlisted for diagnostic assessments with the team, directly.

I trust this clarifies the situation but should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M O'Malley", is written over a horizontal line.

Mary O' Malley  
Head of Service  
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**Assessment of Need Waiting Times County Clare**

<b>Date Application received</b>	<b>Waiting time - number of months</b>	<b>Number of Applications</b>
Oct-21	32	2
Nov-21	31	0
Dec-21	30	0
Jan-22	29	3
Feb-22	28	2
Mar-22	27	6
Apr-22	26	1
May-22	25	3
Jun-22	24	2
Jul-22	23	3
Aug-22	22	0
Sep-22	21	3
Oct - 22	20	3
Nov-22	19	0
Dec-22	18	2
Jan-23	17	1
Feb-23	16	3
Mar-23	15	2
Apr-23	14	1
May-23	13	0
Jun-23	12	2
Jul-23	11	2
Aug-23	10	2
Sep-23	9	2
Oct-23	8	1
Nov-23	7	2
Dec-23	6	2
Jan-24	5	3
Feb-24	4	2
Mar-24	3	3
Apr-24	2	1
May - 24	1	2
Jun - 24	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0-32 months</b>	<b>63</b>