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To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting times for first-time appointments for ADHD assessments in CHO7.

Dear Deputy Ryan,

I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

In CAMHS, there is a current wait-time of 12 months.

At present there are 114 children and adolescents on the waiting list. Since 2019, overall referrals have increased by 150%. A waiting list initiative was undertaken in 2023 which had improved the back log of assessments and reduced the wait time. Additionally we are developing innovative online processes, with the support of the Public Service Innovation fund. This project will design and develop the ADMiRE ADHD app, a secure, web-based app that will translate the ADMiRE Standardised Clinical Protocol for assessment and treatment of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) into a digital, scalable process, and provide one system for effective assessment and treatment of young people with ADHD. It will facilitate proactive engagement for carers and health clinicians, supporting treatment and monitoring their child's health over time.

Additionally the Adult ADHD service currently being rolled out across the CHO, with the service commencing in the Kildare area by Q4 2024. The Consultant Post has been filled recently and recruitment is underway for remaining Multi-Disciplinary Team members. The initial focus of the Adult service has been to focus on the graduates coming from CAMHS services to adult services initially and supporting assessments.

We currently don't hold a waiting list for Adult services as of yet.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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