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“To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on a waiting list for psychology appointments in County Roscommon and Galway, including in primary care; the number on urgent waiting lists and generic; and the average waiting times; and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Dear Deputy Kerrane

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position in Primary Care.

Primary Care Child Galway Sth Roscommon Networks 4-8	
Number waiting	1045
Average waiting time	1-4 years depending on network
Number on urgent vs generic list	PC Psychology is not an acute/urgent service; the waiting list is generic although the service implements a priority system

In relation to North Roscommon Primary Care Child & Family Psychology Services, there are currently 231 children on the waiting list for this service. As this is a Primary Care Service, i.e. not an emergency service, we do not hold 'urgent' waiting lists and referrals are seen in chronological order. The current estimated waiting time for this service is 33 months, however this is subject to change.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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