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Deputy Reada Cronin
Dáil Eireann,
Dublin 2.

PQ ref 45564/24 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and adults on the orthodontic waiting lists in County Kildare; the average waiting times for appointments; the number who are waiting more than a year; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cronin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive can confirm the information for Dublin South City & West, Dublin South West, and Kildare & West Wicklow Integrated Healthcare Areas, HSE Dublin & Midlands is detailed in the table below. Unfortunately, it is currently not possible to provide the information by County.

Length of time waiting	Category 4 patients	Category 5 patients
1 – 6 months	56	160
7 – 12 months	174	148
13 – 24 months	154	348
25 – 36 months	61	154
37 – 48 months	30	52
Over 48 months (4 years)	3	5
Total	478	867

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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