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Réada Cronin TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Ref: PQ 45570/24

## **Re: Assessment of Need – Waiting Times**

"To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth the number of persons awaiting a needs assessment in CHO7; the number waiting less than 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12 months, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter." -Réada Cronin

## **Dear Deputy Cronin,**

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I requested that an Assessment Officer examine the matter and the following outlines the position.

Below is the number of persons awaiting on an Assessment of Need (AON) in Dublin South, Kildare & West Wicklow in tabular form;

| Waiting Times       | 3 Months | 3 -6 Months | 6-12 Months | 12 Months + |
|---------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Number awaiting AON | 511      | 629         | 1103        | 4272        |

I trust this information is of use to you. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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