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Rose Conway-Walsh TD **Leinster House** Kildare Street **Dublin 2**

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Dear Deputy Conway-Walsh,

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;

Team	Above 3 months waiting	Over 6 months waiting
North Mayo CAMHS	2	0
South Mayo CAMHS	4	0

CAMHS is in receipt of funding from the national CAMHS Waiting List Initiative for the remainder of 2024 and we expect to address a number of priority routine first referrals on our waiting lists. The waiting list for new referrals into CAHMS continues, however, to increase due to a combination of unprecedented demand pressures and recruitment difficulties. I can assure you that CAMHS has an active waiting list management system, regularly reviewing the clinical priority of referrals.

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

Yours sincerely,

Steve Jackson

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A/Head of Mental Health Services **Community Healthcare West**

^{*} To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on the CAMHS waiting list in County Mayo, with a breakdown by age and how long they have been waiting for a first appointment.*