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Ms. Margaret Corroon

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Re ORAL PQ 9553/24 –To ask the Minister for Health how many psychologists are employed by CAMHS in the Meath area; how many psychologists are working in CAMHS in the Meath area; the size of the waiting list for access to CAMHS services in the Meath area; the average time waiting to secure an appointment with a psychologist in the Meath area; the average waiting time too access CAMHS services in the Meath area in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Ms. Corroon,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Oral Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

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How many Psychologists are employed by CAMHS in the Meath area	1.0
How many Psychologists are working in CAMHS in the Meath area	1.0
The size of the waiting list for access to CAMHS services in the Meath Area	305
The average time waiting to secure an appointment with a Psychologist in the Meath area	Since 2021 to date in 2024, there have been fewer than ten children who have had to wait to be seen by a psychologist and there have been fewer than five children waiting more than one month from receipt of an internal psychology referral to be seen.
The average waiting time to access the CAMHS services in the Meath Area in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024	Since 2020 to date in 2024, urgent appointments are seen in one to two days. Since 2020 to date in 2024, routine appointments are seen in four to thirteen weeks.

I trust the above is in order. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Mental Health Services