



**Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte**  
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**\* To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for appointments for physiotherapy, occupational therapy, and speech and language therapy in County Cavan and in County Monaghan for 6 months, 12 months, 18 months, 24 months, and 24 months plus, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

**- Pearse Doherty.**

Dear Deputy Doherty,

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.

| CAVAN  | 6 mths | 12 mths | 18 mths | 24 mths | 24mths plus |
|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Physio | 44     | 30      | 17      | 8       | 3           |
| OT     | 59     | 50      | 29      | 27      | 12          |
| SLT    | 25     | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0           |

| MONAGHAN | 6 mths | 12 mths | 18 mths | 24 mths | 24mths plus |
|----------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Physio   | 39     | 15      | 8       | 4       | 1           |
| OT       | 18     | 38      | 26      | 32      | 6           |
| SLT      | 15     | 11      | 0       | 0       | 0           |

The relevant services in Cavan/Monaghan will proceed to prioritise clients waiting in excess of 24 months in 2016.

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

Yours sincerely,



John Hayes  
Príomhoifigeach  
Chief Officer