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Dail Eireann,
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PQ Number: 27476/22

PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on a waiting list for a mental-health organisation (details supplied); the average waiting time in each CHO area from 2019 to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter - Mark Ward

Details Supplied: Jigsaw

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

Please be advised that the information below has been provided directly by Jigsaw.

Number of people on Jigsaw waiting list and average wait time in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022.

	Average wait time to first appointment (in weeks)				Number currently awaiting first appt.
	2019	2020	2021	2022	
Cork	11	19	11	18	404
Donegal	4	1	4	9	72
Dublin 15	6	9	5	11	84
Dublin City	6	9	10	16	226
Dublin South West	13	13	9	17	272
Galway	2	3	7	16	148
Kerry	5	6	5	8	87
Laois/Offaly	3	3	3	7	110
Limerick	11	13	11	19	187



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Meath	5	11	9	15	147
North Fingal	6	14	8	12	121
Roscommon	4	4	6	8	23
Tipperary			3	10	58
Wicklow		2	5	15	77
Total	6	9	7	13	2016

*Please note Jigsaw services' catchment areas sometimes cross CHO boundaries (e.g. in the case of Tipperary and Dublin City) therefore the data is by service rather than by CHO.

By way of additional information, Jigsaw has experienced a 25% increase in our referrals in Jan-Apr 2022 compared to the same period in 2021.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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