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Re:. PQ 58427/22 - "To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on the waiting list for hearing examinations in Co. Clare by length of time waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Wynne,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Please see below table outlining the details of the information requested at the end of October 2022:

	0-4 year olds	5-17 year olds
No. of children (by age group) awaiting audiology treatment	118	124
Total no. of children waiting to be seen	**242**	
Wait time for children to be seen for initial assessment (0 – 52 weeks +)	**0-12 weeks**	48
	12-26 weeks	71
	26-39 weeks	35
	39-52 weeks	19
	52 weeks +	69

I trust this information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,

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