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PQ 25196/16

* To ask the Minister for Health the total number of residential and inpatient detoxification beds available for the purpose of treatment for drug and alcohol misuse in the State; the number of such beds which are available within each Local Health Office area with respect to all LHOs in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

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* To ask the Minister for Health the patient waiting times, per facility, in relation to those awaiting access to residential and inpatient detoxification beds for the purpose of treatment for drug and alcohol misuse, and who have been waiting for six, nine, 12, 15 months and more than 15 months in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Doherty,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Questions which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have examined the matter and the following Appendix identifies the number of detoxification beds available, their location, the average waiting time and numbers waiting longer than 6 months for access.

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

Yours sincerely,

Joseph Doyle
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Appendix

Medical Detoxification Units

<i>Location</i>	<i>Sept 2016</i>	<i>Current Average Waiting Time post assessment²</i>	<i>Numbers waiting longer than 6 months</i>
Cuan Dara - Cherry Orchard Hospital	8 detox beds	9 weeks	0
St. Michaels Ward, Beaumont Hospital ¹	10	4-6 Weeks	0
Total:	18		

Community Based Residential Detoxification

<i>Location</i>	<i>Sept 2016</i>	<i>Current Average Waiting Time post assessment²</i>	<i>Numbers waiting longer than 6 months</i>
Cuan Mhuire Athy Alcohol Detoxification	18	1-7 days	0
Cuan Mhuire Athy - Our Lady's Drug Unit	6	Up to 4 weeks	0
Cuan Mhuire Fernannes Co. Cork	8 (substance misuse & alcohol)	14-21 days	0
Cuan Mhuire Bruree Limerick	34 (11 for substance misuse and 23 for alcohol)	1-3 days (alcohol). Up to 12 weeks (Opioid & Polysubstance).	0
Cuan Mhuire Coolraine, Co. Galway	20 (alcohol)	1-3 days	0
Peter Mc Verry Trust Lantern Naul Co. Dublin	7	49 days	3 over 6 months
Simon Community Detoxification Dublin 8	11	37 days**	0
Coolmine Ashleigh House	2-3	1-2 weeks	0
Coolmine Lodge	4	1-2 weeks	0
MQI St. Francis Farm, Tullow. Co. Carlow	10	3 weeks	0
Total:	121		

Adolescent Residential Detoxification

<i>Location</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>Current Average Waiting Time post assessment²</i>	<i>Numbers waiting longer than 6 months</i>
Aislinn, Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny	4	Within 7 days of assessment	0
Total:	4		

¹ Beds are used interchangeably with no set ratio between stabilisation and detoxification.

² Post assessment and admission criteria fulfilled.