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Deputy Gerry Adams
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
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Dublin 2.

RE PQ 24226/19: To ask the Minister for Health the HSE budget for County Louth for intensive homecare packages in each of the years 2015 to 2019.

Dear Deputy Adams,

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

Unfortunately I am unable to provide you with a breakdown in the budget for Intensive Home Care Packages (IHCPs) for County Louth. The budget of €9 million for IHCPs is managed centrally by our national Services for Older Persons office and there is no specific budget allocation per Community Healthcare Organisation (CHO).

Home Support Services is a non-statutory service and access (inclusive of IHCPs) is based on assessment of the person's needs by the HSE and having regard to the available resources and the competing demands for the services. The roll out of IHCPs commenced in January 2015 and included enhanced packages of care for people with dementia.

Activity in relation to home support (including Intensive Home Care Packages) is monitored on an on-going basis by the Chief Officers across the CHO and with the Head of Operations Services for Older People nationally.

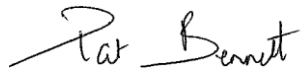
The funding for home support services nationally which is inclusive of funding for IHCPs for the period 2015 to 2019 is detailed in the attached table:

Home Support Funding 2015-2019

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Funding	€306m	€349m	€380m	€417m	€446m

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

Pat Bennett
Chief Officer
Midlands Louth Meath Community Health Organisation