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PQ 13490/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting to receive additional home help hours in south central areas of Dublin City; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

-James Browne

Dear Deputy

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.

Since 1st January 2018 Home Help and Home Care Package services have been reported as Home Support hours. The following table details both the total Home Support hours delivered and the waiting lists specific to those waiting for additional home Help services. I can advise that as per the February KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) for Dublin South Central, which are broken down as Areas 3 and 5 of the HSE, the returns are as follows:-

Home Support Services	Area 3	Area 5	Total
Persons in receipt of Home Support services	1,293	1,339	2,632
Total hours delivered	27,960	30,569	58,529
Total Numbers of persons listed as waiting specifically for additional Home Help services	23	15	38
Total Home Help waiting lists for this area (new and additional)	47	137	184

While resources for the provision of Home Support are substantial, they are finite. We are currently operating a waiting list as we do not have funding available to meet increased demands for home support (home help) services or home care packages.

It is envisaged that throughout 2019 we will be in a position to commence recycling some home care package hours in order to address the needs of those persons on our waiting lists in the community, some of whom, have been wait listed for a significant period of time.

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

Yours sincerely



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