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Deputy Stephen S Donnelly, TD
Dáil Eireann,
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Dear Deputy Donnelly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this Department for response.

PQ 19877/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of home support hours being provided in each LHO area to the end of April 2019; the number of persons on the waiting list for home support in each LHO area; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12months respectively, in tabular form

The 2019 National Service Plan 2019 provides for;

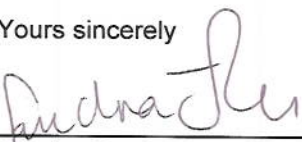
- 17.9m home support hours to be delivered to 53,000 people inclusive of 410,000 hours/550 home support packages funded under the Winter Initiative 2018/2019
- Intensive Home Care Packages delivered to approximately 235 people with approximately 360,000 hours delivered in the full year

Preliminary data currently available reflects the period to the end of March 2019. As of this date, 4,215,754 home support hours were delivered nationally while 6,238 people were waiting for funding for their home support service (details per LHO/CHO at Appendix 1 below).

Data in the detailed format requested (i.e. number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12months respectively) is not currently collated nationally. While the information is available locally from client records, it would require considerable resources to gather this information centrally.

The Department is currently engaged in a detailed process to determine what type of home care scheme is best for Ireland. This process will consider the future design of both the funding and regulation systems for these essential services.

Yours sincerely



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Table 1 – Home Support Activity: March 2019 (Preliminary Data)

PQ: 19/19877		Mar-19	
CHO	LHO	Home Support Hours Provided	Waiting List - Funding
National Total		4,215,754	6,238
CHO 1	Total	431,668	519
	Cavan Monaghan	121,904	253
	Donegal	187,034	161
	Sligo Leitrim	122,730	105
CHO 2	Total	447,569	788
	Galway	236,697	307
	Mayo	131,563	334
	Roscommon	79,309	147
CHO 3	Total	361,036	483
	Clare	118,426	381
	Limerick	133,993	85
	North Tipperary East Limerick	108,618	17
CHO 4	Total	631,753	119
	Kerry	157,196	0
	North Cork	98,717	0
	North Lee	132,507	0
	South Lee	165,291	27
	West Cork	78,042	92
CHO 5	Total	495,671	610
	Carlow Kilkenny	126,135	0
	South Tipperary	100,890	0
	Waterford	92,221	31
	Wexford	176,426	579
CHO 6	Total	320,297	196
	Dublin South East	81,186	0
	Dun Laoghaire	113,752	0
	Wicklow	125,358	196
CHO 7	Total	459,308	1,176
	Dublin South City	87,687	336
	Dublin South West	111,158	236
	Dublin West	93,021	278
	Kildare West Wicklow	167,443	326
CHO 8	Total	410,947	542
	Laois Offaly	107,423	369
	Longford Westmeath	91,315	9
	Louth	99,979	0
	Meath	112,230	164
CHO 9	Total	657,505	1,805
	Dublin North	239,028	834
	Dublin North Central	228,815	214
	Dublin North West	189,662	757