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Deputy Mary Butler, TD
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Dear Deputy Butler,

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: 48220/19

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting placement under the fair deal scheme as of 15 November 2019 or the latest date available; the average waiting time; the number of persons awaiting placement under the scheme by local health area in tabular form; and the length of time waiting - Mary Butler.

The number of persons awaiting placement under the Fair Deal Scheme

As at the 18th November the Nursing Homes Support Scheme had a total of 405 clients on the placement list awaiting funding.

The average waiting time

The average wait time for each client on the Nursing Homes Support Scheme placement list as at the 18th November is 4 weeks.

The number of persons awaiting placement under the scheme in each LHO area in tabular form

(Appendix 1)

The length of time waiting

The Nursing Homes Support Scheme operates a National Waiting list for funding. There is therefore no distinction between waiting times experienced by clients across LHO. Funding provided by the Nursing Homes Support Scheme continues to be allocated on a strict chronological order basis. There is only one waiting list nationally so there are no variances around the country.

I hope this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra Tuohy', written over a horizontal line.

Sandra Tuohy

Assistant National Director, Head of Operations & Service Improvement
Services for Older People

Appendix 1

Waiting List as at 18/11/2019	
LHO	Waiting List
Longford Westmeath	14
Area 1 Dun Laoghaire	12
Area 10 Wicklow	8
Area 2 Dublin South East	11
Area 3 Dublin South City	14
Area 4 Dublin South West	13
Area 5 Dublin West	7
Area 9 Kildare	9
Laois Offaly	11
Louth	20
Meath	21
Cavan Monaghan	9
Dublin North Central	17
Dublin North West	10
Northern Area	22
Cork North Lee	19
Cork South Lee	27
Kerry	11
North Cork	9
West Cork	4
Tipperary South	6
Waterford	11
Carlow Kilkenny	5
Wexford	1
Clare	15
Limerick	22
Tipperary North	15
Galway	19
Mayo	17
Roscommon	5
Sligo Leitrim	10
Donegal	11
TOTAL	405