

**29<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

Deputy Sorca Clarke  
Dáil Éireann  
Kildare Street  
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**Re: PQ 10484/20**

**Question: “To ask the Minister for Health the waiting time for results of Covid-19 testing for care home staff”.**

Dear Deputy Clarke,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

Unfortunately we do not record wait time data specific to care home staff but I can confirm that the overall median end to end turnaround times, being referral to contact tracing complete, for the past seven days are as below:

- Overall (Community and acute settings): 1.8 days median
- Community settings: 2.3 days median
- Acute settings: 1.5 days median

I also wish to advise that we publicly share the lab data on a daily basis in our Testing and Contact Tracing Dashboard which is under the Covid-19 updates on the HSE website.

I trust this addresses your question.

Yours sincerely,



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