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Ms. Emer Higgins T.D.,  
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Leinster House,  
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**Re: Parliamentary Question – 37003/20**

To ask the Minister for Health the funding that has been allocated to hospice foundations in counties Longford and Westmeath to date in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Emer Higgins

Dear Deputy Higgins,

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. I have examined the matter and outline response as follows.

In Longford and Westmeath - there are 3 Hospice "Groups" in existence namely the Longford Hospice Group, the South Westmeath Hospice Group and the North Westmeath Hospice Group.

Please be advised that CHO8 do not allocate funding to these Groups in either Longford or Westmeath.

Finally it should be noted that whilst the HSE does not provide funding to the Hospice Groups, it does engage with them on the development of services and funding for same (that they provide) through Memorandum of Understandings (MOU) that are reviewed annually.

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

Yours sincerely,

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