



23 October 2020

Deputy John Lahart, TD
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Lahart,

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: 29498/20

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting placement under the fair deal scheme as of 30 September 2020 or the latest available date; the average waiting time; the number of persons in each LHO area awaiting placement under the scheme in tabular form; and the length of time waiting - John Lahart.

The number of persons awaiting placement under the Fair Deal Scheme

As at 28 September 2020 the Nursing Homes Support Scheme had a total of 574 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 28 September 2020 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 single National awaiting funding list. There is therefore no distinction between waiting times experienced by clients across the country. Funding provided by the Nursing Homes Support Scheme continues to be allocated on a strict chronological order basis.

I hope this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra Tuohy".

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



Appendix 1

Waiting list as at 28/09/2020	
LHO	Waiting list
Area 1 - Dun Laoghaire	18
Area 10 - Wicklow	15
Area 2 - Dublin South East	21
Area 3 - Dublin South City	15
Area 4 - Dublin South West	21
Area 5 - Dublin West	22
Area 9 - Kildare	24
Carlow/Kilkenny	24
Cavan/Monaghan	13
Clare	19
Cork North Lee	22
Cork South Lee	27
Donegal	14
Dublin North Central	15
Dublin North West	18
Galway	27
Kerry	19
Laois/Offaly	21
Limerick	18
Longford/Westmeath	18
Louth	15
Mayo	12
Meath	10
North Cork	17
Northern Area	18
Roscommon	7
Sligo/Leitrim/West Cavan	15
Tipperary North	20
Tipperary South	13
Waterford	23
West Cork	11
Wexford	22
Total	574