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**PQ ref: 18864/21:**

**To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has awarded contracts for home help work to a service (details supplied); the costs of such contracts from 2010 to date; and the number of hours involved.**

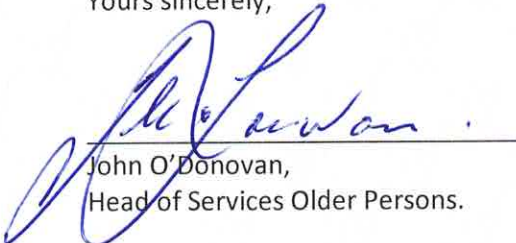
Dear Deputy Smith,

In response to your Parliamentary Question to the Minister for Health, please see attached funding to Greystones Home Help to cover period from 2010 to date:-

| Year | Annual funding under service agreement |
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| 2010 | 1,173,309                              |
| 2011 | 1,173,309                              |
| 2012 | 1,014,644                              |
| 2013 | 1,082,165                              |
| 2014 | 1,057,345                              |
| 2015 | 1,106,205                              |
| 2016 | 1,134,205                              |
| 2017 | 961,320                                |
| 2018 | 823,729                                |
| 2019 | 422,566                                |
| 2020 | 349,393                                |

Contracted services under **Section 39 Agreement** have diminished dramatically in line with protocols agreed specifically since the introduction of the National Home Support tender Framework in 2018. A substantial amount of funding is now paid to this agency under contract as an Approved Provider (2018 tender), in line with all other Approved Providers operating in Community Healthcare East (CHO 6). The levels of service fluctuate on a daily basis with the latest information advising that this Agency provides approximately 1000 hours per month under a Section 39 agreement to just over 80 older persons. Services to all other clients are commissioned under tender 2018 with no specific contract per client other than the rate provided for on the agreed tender framework.

Yours sincerely,



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