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**Deputy Rose Conway Walsh, TD
Dáil Eireann,
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Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.**

Dear Deputy Conway Walsh,


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 59796 To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE contract beds in nursing homes by county since 2016, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Rose Conway-Walsh

Below Table at Appendix I, please find details of the number of contract beds funded under the Nursing Homes Support Scheme since 2016, as per your request. This information is extracted from the Nursing Homes Support Scheme IT system and is based on details of payments made in respect of these long term residential care beds.

You will note that the number of such beds supported has dropped significantly since 2016. This is due to the fact that the arrangement for providing new contract beds has ceased for NHSS funded clients and clients currently being funded entered a contract bed prior to October 2009, at the time of the commencement of the NHSS.

Yours sincerely



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Number of HSE Supported Contract Bed Clients in December of Each Year 2016 - 2020, with October provided for 2021 as it being the most up-to-date data available at the date of this report.

County	Dec 2016	Dec 2017	Dec 2018	Dec 2019	Dec 2020	Oct 2021
Carlow/Kilkenny	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cavan/Monaghan	5	5	4	2	1	0
Clare	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cork	37	25	15	12	10	7
Donegal	16	13	11	8	5	3
Dublin	239	170	132	100	69	51
Galway	1	1	1	1	0	0
Kerry	7	5	5	3	3	3
Kildare/West Wicklow	55	48	40	30	21	15
Laois/Offaly	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limerick	0	0	0	0	0	0
Longford/Westmeath	3	1	1	1	1	1
Louth	5	4	4	4	1	0
Mayo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meath	2	1	0	0	0	0
Roscommon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sligo/Leitrim/West Cavan	13	11	8	6	3	3
Tipperary South	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tipperary North/East Limerick	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waterford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wexford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wicklow	17	12	9	5	3	3
TOTAL	400	296	230	172	117	86

NB: Some counties are linked due to the way the HSE CHOs are set up.