



21st December, 2021

Deputy John Lahart, TD
Dáil Eireann,
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 61777 To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting placement under fair deal scheme as of the 1st December 2021 or the latest date available , the average waiting time; the number of persons currently awaiting placement under the scheme in each local health area in tabular form; and the length of time waiting

The number of persons awaiting placement under the Fair Deal Scheme

As at the 29th of November 2021 the Nursing Homes Support Scheme had a total of 596 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 the 29th of November 2021 is four 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,

Ultan Hynes
Head of Service, NHSS

Appendix 1

Awaiting Funding List as at 29/11/2021

LHO Area	No. clients
Area 1 - Dun Laoghaire	27
Area 10 - Wicklow	11
Area 2 - Dublin South East	21
Area 3 - Dublin South City	15
Area 4 - Dublin South West	32
Area 5 - Dublin West	12
Area 9 - Kildare	28
Carlow/Kilkenny	17
Cavan/Monaghan	25
Clare	14
Cork North Lee	18
Cork South Lee	32
Donegal	24
Dublin North Central	25
Dublin North West	21
Galway	35
Kerry	16
Laois/Offaly	17
Limerick	18
Longford/Westmeath	19
Louth	9
Mayo	23
Meath	21
North Cork	9
Northern Area	20
Roscommon	8
Sligo/Leitrim/West Cavan	11
Tipperary North	18
Tipperary South	11
Waterford	12
West Cork	9
Wexford	18
Total	596