



**Deputy Neasa Hourigan,
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2**

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PQ Ref 3592/21

To ask the Minister for Health the funding supports that were granted to the disability support programmes an organisation (details supplied) in 2019 and 2020 - Parkrun

Dear Deputy Hourigan ,

HSE Health and Wellbeing provided the following funding to parkrun Ireland in 2019 and 2020

2019 €75,000
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The HSE also through Section 39 grant agreements provides funding to support the work of Local Sports Partnerships in promoting physical activity and establishing opportunities for physical activity in local communities – this includes supporting the Sports Inclusion Disability programme in Local Sports Partnerships. All HSE grant agreements with Local Sports Partnerships include a special condition requesting that LSP's work with both parkrun Ireland and local communities to establish and support parkrun events where a local community has a desire to establish and event.

Due to COVID-19 public health restrictions, all parkrun Ireland weekly events have been suspended since March 2020. There is currently no timeline for return of these event in 2021.

Yours Sincerely

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