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To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the number of persons in CHO1 who have been awarded homecare hours but are still waiting to receive the allotted hours due to a shortage in homecare staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Kenny

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Having examined the matter, the following outlines the position for CHO 1:

Donegal

Donegal Home Support currently has 119 clients approved for Home Support that are still waiting the service.

Sligo/Leitrim

As of 03/03/2021, the number of persons in Sligo/Leitrim who have been awarded Home Support hours and are currently waiting to receive the allotted hours is forty one.

Cavan/Monaghan

There are 38 clients waiting on a new home support service and there are 68 clients who currently have a service, have been approved additional hours and are waiting on these additional hours.

I can advise that the HSE has been conducting a rolling recruitment programme for Health Care Support Assistants (HCSAs) across CHO 1 and expect to recruit a number of new staff from this process.

I trust that this is of assistance, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Yours sincerely

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