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Deputy David Cullinane,
TD Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Cullinane

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: 56237/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons over and under 65 years of age on nursing home support scheme funding waiting lists by CHO in each quarter since quarter 4 2018, in tabular form; the number of those waiting more than 12, 24 and 52 weeks, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

The detailed response is attached at Appendix 1. Please note that the awaiting funding period for NHSS funding is normally maintained at four weeks. There is therefore no client waiting more than 12, 24 and 52 weeks respectively within the period for which you requested details.

The week ending closest to the end of period was used to generate this data. In December of each year, the HSE normally issues NHSS funding in a batch release during early December to allow for clients to move to a Nursing Home in advance of the Christmas period.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Tuohy
Assistant National Director, Head of Operations & Service Improvement
Services for Older People



Appendix I

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Table 1.

Summary of number of Clients Awaiting Funding for each Quarter 2018 Q4 to 2021 Q3 by CHO, separating those Under 65 from over 65s.

CHO Area	10/12/2018		25/03/2019		24/06/2019		30/09/2019		16/12/2019		30/03/2020		29/06/2020		28/09/2020		14/12/2020		29/03/2021		28/06/2021		27/09/2021	
	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65	U65	O65
1	0	13	3	42	1	83	4	43	0	9	2	45	2	25	1	35	1	20	3	34	2	30	0	33
2	2	12	0	58	4	94	6	70	1	15	3	39	3	46	3	21	0	26	3	41	0	28	1	33
3	3	13	1	60	3	89	3	58	0	14	0	12	5	27	1	37	1	15	2	36	2	23	3	44
4	0	2	12	111	5	122	7	91	3	21	3	84	4	57	3	67	2	38	1	62	3	53	3	65
5	0	8	3	80	7	89	8	100	0	15	4	55	3	43	2	65	1	34	2	58	3	50	4	58
6	1	5	3	42	3	64	0	58	1	15	0	22	1	37	2	34	2	23	0	32	1	30	4	48
7	0	9	4	71	10	92	2	58	1	23	2	33	6	57	4	63	3	25	2	35	0	36	4	72
8	0	16	4	68	8	88	4	94	0	14	1	46	2	63	2	41	3	37	3	51	3	30	1	58
9	1	20	2	65	4	74	7	74	1	21	3	41	1	45	2	20	2	35	0	21	1	52	2	49
TOTALS	7	98	32	597	45	795	41	646	7	147	18	377	27	400	20	383	15	253	16	370	15	332	22	460