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Deputy Michael Creed, T.D.,
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"To ask the Minister for Health if she has received an application from a Section 39 organisation (details supplied) regarding the possibility of additional funding for specific services; when these additional monies will be allocated; and if he will make a statement on the matter".

Details Supplied: WESTGATE FOUNDATION - SECTION 39 ORGANISATION IN BALLINCOLLIG, CO. CORK. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR - MEALS ON WHEELS AND DAYCARE SERVICES FOR 2023".

Dear Deputy Creed,

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.

Community based service providers such as the Westgate Foundation are an essential pillar in the provision of health services across the country. These organisations are funded through the HSE to deliver a range of health and social care services on behalf of the HSE to communities around Ireland. Cork Kerry Community Healthcare (CKCH) acknowledges the valuable contribution that community based not-for-profit charitable organisations such as Westgate Foundation continue to provide and is committed to ensuring that same is maintained into the future

The HSE's National Services for Older People office has advised that additional funding has been received for both Meals on Wheels and Day Care Services for 2023 and this funding will be allocated across the Community Health Organisations. However, that office has reverted to CKCH requesting the completion of quarterly Meals On Wheels and Day Care data returns for 2022, together with completion of Day Care and Meals On Wheels Annual Report for 2021, in order to provide an overview of what is currently being provided across both these services in advance of allocating this funding. This information has now been submitted to the National Services for Older People office by CKCH and a response is awaited in relation to same.

I trust this clarifies the position. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Daly
Head of Service for Older People

