



21.12.22

Deputy Jim O'Callaghan

Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
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Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy O'Callaghan,

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 63043/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of home support hours currently being provided in each LHO area as of 1 December 2022 or the latest date available; the way that compares to target in each LHO for the same time period; the number of persons currently on the waiting list for home support hours in each LHO area; the number waiting 0-3, 3-6, 6-12 and the number waiting 12 months plus in tabular form.

The Home Support Service is funded by Government to deliver a volume of service each year as approved in the HSE National Service Plan. For 2022 it is expected that 23.67m hours will be delivered to 55,675 people by year end. The Service is a non-statutory one with access based on an HSE assessment of the person's needs, having regard to the available resources and the competing demands for the service from those people with assessed needs. Notwithstanding the significant level of service provision, the demand for Home Support, and its importance as an alternative service to long stay care, has grown considerably over the past number of years.

Latest available reported activity reflects the period to end of October 2022. As of this date, 17,562,809 home support hours were delivered nationally to 56,210 people. In addition, 7 people were assessed and waiting for funding for new or additional home support and 6,125 people were assessed and waiting on care staff to be assigned at that time..

In terms of the requested information, Appendix 1 hereunder sets out the National/CHO/LHO Home Support activity v. target as of the 31st October, 2022. Appendix 2 reflects the National/CHO/LHO waiting list activity up to the end of October timeline. Wait band period breakdown i.e. 0-3, 3-6, 6-12 and 12 month plus is not available as is not collated nationally at this time.

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix 1 – Home Support Hours Target V Delivered per LHO.

Reported Activity as of 31st of October, 2022 – Data Source Datamart

CHO	LHO	Target YTD	Hours Delivered
			Total
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	475,801	444,866
CHO 1	Donegal	845,307	910,839
CHO 1	Sligo Leitrim	571,660	519,261
CHO 1	Total	1,892,768	1,874,966
CHO 2	Galway	1,009,812	1,000,792
CHO 2	Mayo	678,806	553,462
CHO 2	Roscommon	384,403	361,218
CHO 2	Total	2,073,021	1,915,472
CHO 3	Clare	472,241	528,637
CHO 3	Limerick	629,654	600,661
CHO 3	North Tipperary East Limerick	472,241	434,158
CHO 3	Total	1,574,136	1,563,456
CHO 4	Kerry	776,353	582,182
CHO 4	North Cork	455,459	355,756
CHO 4	North Lee	588,063	470,043
CHO 4	South Lee	670,665	642,417
CHO 4	West Cork	366,438	280,481
CHO 4	Total	2,856,978	2,330,879
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	542,670	476,187
CHO 5	South Tipperary	427,484	338,826
CHO 5	Waterford	412,455	347,666
CHO 5	Wexford	730,404	557,292
CHO 5	Total	2,113,013	1,719,971
CHO 6	Dublin South East	443,077	432,747
CHO 6	Dun Laoghaire	577,306	547,245
CHO 6	Wicklow	637,019	388,676
CHO 6	Total	1,657,402	1,368,668
CHO 7	Dublin South City	438,181	396,529
CHO 7	Dublin South West	576,551	508,071
CHO 7	Dublin West	461,244	392,785
CHO 7	Kildare West Wicklow	830,233	558,976
CHO 7	Total	2,306,209	1,856,361
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	476,326	518,271
CHO 8	Longford Westmeath	499,009	504,351
CHO 8	Louth	453,644	437,229
CHO 8	Meath	521,691	511,057
CHO 8	Total	1,950,670	1,970,907
CHO 9	Dublin North	1,319,558	1,169,095
CHO 9	Dublin North Central	1,050,323	898,468
CHO 9	Dublin North West	623,599	894,566
CHO 9	Total	2,993,480	2,962,129
National Total		19,417,677	17,562,809

Appendix 2 – Home Support Waiting List by LHO

Reported Activity as of 31st of October, 2022 - Data Source Datamart

CHO	LHO	Funding	Carers
		Total	Total
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	-	335
CHO 1	Donegal	-	205
CHO 1	Sligo Leitrim	-	76
CHO 1	Total	-	616
CHO 2	Galway	-	195
CHO 2	Mayo	-	287
CHO 2	Roscommon	-	103
CHO 2	Total	-	585
CHO 3	Clare	-	292
CHO 3	Limerick	-	197
CHO 3	North Tipperary East Limeri	-	91
CHO 3	Total	-	580
CHO 4	Kerry	-	362
CHO 4	North Cork	-	109
CHO 4	North Lee	-	114
CHO 4	South Lee	-	649
CHO 4	West Cork	-	124
CHO 4	Total	-	1,358
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	-	115
CHO 5	South Tipperary	-	104
CHO 5	Waterford	-	181
CHO 5	Wexford	-	561
CHO 5	Total	-	961
CHO 6	Dublin South East	-	69
CHO 6	Dun Laoghaire	-	129
CHO 6	Wicklow	-	154
CHO 6	Total	-	352
CHO 7	Dublin South City	-	154
CHO 7	Dublin South West	-	229
CHO 7	Dublin West	-	234
CHO 7	Kildare West Wicklow	-	226
CHO 7	Total	-	843
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	-	288
CHO 8	Longford Westmeath	-	48
CHO 8	Louth	-	193
CHO 8	Meath	-	194
CHO 8	Total	-	723
CHO 9	Dublin North	7	84
CHO 9	Dublin North Central	-	6
CHO 9	Dublin North West	-	17
CHO 9	Total	7	107
National Total		7	6,125