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RE: PQ 8010/22

To ask the Minister for Health the average number of financed homecare hours per person by age for County Clare in each of the years 2016 to 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Crowe

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The table below details the total number of hours provided in Clare per year from 2016 to 2021 inclusive. The number of clients in receipt of a service at year end is also included for your information, however, it is not possible to provide the breakdown for home care hours per person by age from existing records. Home Support Services in Older Persons is primarily provided to persons over 65 years of age. It is however, also provided to clients under 65 years of age in certain circumstances based on assessed needs.

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total Hours Delivered	223,580*	431,425	439,909	460,968	463,896	587,317
Monthly Avg	18,632	16,132	36,659	38,414	38,658	48,943
No of Clients at year end	885	761	1,352	1,149	1,299	1,488

* This figure does not include the number of Home Help hours provided through Home Care Packages in Clare in 2016, the information is not available. The way in which information was collected changed in 2017

I trust this clarifies the situation but should you require any further information or clarification in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Angela Frawley
General Manager