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Deputy Sorca Clarke,
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PQ 32148/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of augmentative and alternative communication devices that have been approved for each of the years 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form by county; and the number of application for the same period that were refused.

- Sorca Clarke

Dear Deputy Clarke,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 32148/22) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The number of augmentative and alternative communication devices approved by the different CHO's during the period requested are outlined in Appendix 1. You will note that not all CHO's maintain this information on a county by county basis and are only in a position to provide this information as a CHO total.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Maeve Raeside
General Manager Primary Care
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Appendix 1

| CHO | County | Approved | | | Rejected | | |
|-----|----------------------|----------|------|------------|--------------------|------|------------|
| | | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 (YTD) | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 (YTD) |
| 1 | Cavan Monaghan | 85 | 100 | 40 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| | Donegal | | | | | | |
| | Sligo Leitrim | | | | | | |
| 2 | Galway | 15 | 23 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Mayo | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Roscommon | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Limerick | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Clare | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | North Tipp | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Kerry | 7 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | West Cork | 5 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | North Cork | 7 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Cork City | 14 | 23 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | Carlow/Kilkenny | 11 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | South Tipperary | 11 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Waterford | 10 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Wexford | 13 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Dublin South East | 61 | 44 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Dun Laoghaire | | | | | | |
| | Wicklow | | | | | | |
| 7 | Dublin South City | 6 | 5 | 1 | (see note 1 below) | | |
| | Dublin West | 0 | 3 | 0 | | | |
| | Dublin South West | 0 | 1 | 0 | | | |
| | Kildare West Wicklow | 1 | 2 | 0 | | | |
| 8 | Meath | 9 | 19 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Louth | 9 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Laois | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| | Offaly | 4 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Westmeath | 14 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Longford | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Dublin North | 91 | 66 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | Dublin North Central | | | | | | |
| | Dublin North West | | | | | | |

Note 1: CHO7 do not have a record of refusing any application