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Deputy Holly Cairns, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

PQ 15502/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the funding and supports available in each CHO to support home births; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

- Holly Cairns

Dear Deputy Cairns,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 15502/22) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

In alignment with the National Maternity Strategy, Creating a Better Future Together 2016 - 2026 (Department of Health, 2016), the HSE wishes to confirm that the HSE Homebirth Service is under the governance of Acute Operations as of the 28th February 2022. The funding and supports transferred from the Community Health Organisations to the Acute Operations.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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