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Ms. Verona Murphy, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2.

PQ 22041/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons approved for homecare supports who are currently waiting on delivery of support hours in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

The Home Support Office based in Wexford manages service provision for Home Support across the County of Wexford. Data provided below is therefore reflective of the current position as of 11th May 2022.

The following table provides the number of persons approved for homecare supports who are currently waiting on delivery of support hours in County Wexford.

Home Support Office Wexford	11/05/2022
Number of persons approved for	545
homecare supports who are currently	
waiting on delivery of support hours*	

*Figure includes applicants awaiting new service and those additional home support hours.

You will be aware that whilst funding of Home Support Services is not an issue in delivering Home Support hours there continues to be significant challenges for both HSE and Private Providers in sourcing eligible staff. There continues to be a rolling recruitment campaign across South East Community Healthcare area throughout 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Helen McDaid Head of Service South East Community Healthcare