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Deputy David Cullinane Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street. Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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 57046/22

To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the list of approved home support providers supplied is incomplete (details supplied); if he will provide an up to date list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

The Home Support Service is funded by Government to deliver a volume of service each year as approved in the HSE National Service Plan. It is a non-statutory service and access to the current service is based on assessment of the person's needs by the HSE and having regard to the available resources and the competing demands for the services from those people with assessed needs.

In relation to your query "To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the list of approved home support providers supplied is incomplete", please see link hereunder to the published list of Approved Home Support Providers who have formal tender arrangements with the HSE under current tender arrangements; https://www.hse.ie/eng/home-support-services/choosing-an-approved-provider/ . In some areas, the HSE has implemented Service Arrangements with private providers who are not on the tender framework in order to meet capacity in the areas.

Yours sincerely

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