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Deputy Peadar Tóibin,  
Dáil Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Tóibin,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Questions, which was submitted to this Department for response.

**PQ 58989/22**

**To ask the Minister for Health the average amount that is paid by the State to homecare agencies for one hour of care to one individual care recipient.**

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

services from those people with assessed needs. Home Support services are provided by both directly employed Healthcare Support Assistants (HCSAs) and Approved Providers with formal tendered arrangements with the HSE.

In relation to the rates paid to Approved Providers with regards to the delivery of Home Support services for Older People, these are paid in accordance with the Tender 2018 Framework; the current tender in operation. Tender rates vary across CHO areas and from Provider to Provider with a range of rates applicable for core and non-core hours. The average funded rate for 2022 October YTD is 27.12 per hour.

Yours sincerely,

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