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

## PQ 50279/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons approved for homecare supports in County Wexford who are currently waiting on delivery of support hours; 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.* 

At the end of September 2022, there were a total of 416 individuals listed on the Home Support Waiting List; either awaiting the commencement of a new Home Support service or an increase in their existing Home Support service allocation.

In accordance with the Home Support process, applicants who make a request for home support services have an assessment of their clinical need completed by the Public Health Nurse. If approved for Home Support Services, their names are placed on the waiting list for a service allocation. As Home Support staff become available people are offered home support services.

I trust this clarifies the situation. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Budget Towell.

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