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Deputy Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

PQ ref 5759/23

"To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide clarity surrounding the home care package in a service (details supplied) surrounding an issue with an administrator not being replaced since before Christmas; and when this person, who is based in Blackrock, will be replaced."

Details Supplied: Cork South Lee Services

Dear Deputy Ó Laoghaire,

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

Following receipt of a home support application, the HSE arranges a care needs assessment by a healthcare professional, such as a public health nurse, to determine the level of home support required. The Public Health Nursing service, which assesses the care needs of the applicant, comes under the remit of Primary Care while the Home Support service, which delivers the assessed support required within available staff resources, is under the remit of Services for Older People.

With regard to Services for Older People in the Blackrock area, an administrative vacancy did arise recently within the Home Support service. However, following a recruitment process, that vacancy has now been filled and the successful candidate is due to commence in the post later this month.

I trust this clarifies the position. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Daly

Head of Service for Older People

