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Patricia Ryan,
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Ryan,

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 6550/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of people who are awaiting on the provision of additional homecare hours; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

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 terms of your specific request we can provide a breakdown of people categorised as waiting for additional hours under the following headings:-

- Number of Clients assessed for additional hours and are waiting for funding for the provision of Home Support
- Number of Clients assessed for additional hours and are waiting for Care Staff for the provisions of Home Support.

Appendix 1 below provides the 2022 year end position at a National/CHO level for the specified waiting list categories.

Yours sincerely,

Kathleen Jordan
Head of Service – Home Support
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Appendix 1: Home Support Waiting List December 2022

	Funding	Carers
CHO	Additional	Additional
CHO 1	-	446
CHO 2	-	349
CHO 3	-	247
CHO 4	-	607
CHO 5	-	673
CHO 6	-	255
CHO 7	-	53
CHO 8	-	200
CHO 9	3	48
National Total	3	2,878