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To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the number of HSE healthcare support assistants in County Clare is significantly lower than every other county in CHO3; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Wynne,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above PQ which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

CHO3	Number of HSE Health Care Support Assistants	Total Number of Care Hours Delivered in 2022
Clare	76	631,998

For many years, home support services in County Clare were provided entirely through indirect provision i.e. private providers. In 2019 the HSE commenced recruitment of Health Care Support Assistant's and we now have 76 staff in post. We hope to increase this further and a recruitment campaign is currently underway.

The home support service in County Clare is now provided through a combination of direct and indirect provision and we work very closely with the private providers to ensure home support services are delivered to those clients who require same.

I trust this information is of assistance to you and should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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