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Holly Cairns,
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
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Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Cairns,

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 2296/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on a waiting list for home care packages; the number who are experiencing delayed discharge from hospital due to a delay in accessing home care; and the extent of the waiting lists for home care packages by CHO and LHO in tabular form

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.

Please see Appendix 1 below for a breakdown of the Home Support Waiting List as at end of November 2022 by CHO and LHO. Additionally, the latest available Delayed Transfer of Care Report (DTCR) of 17th of January 2023 shows that of the 576 people delayed in the acute system, 111 were categorised as Type A, Destination Home with 72 of those waiting for a carer to be assigned

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix 1: Home Support Waiting List November 2022 by CHO/ LHO.

CHO	LHO	WAITING LIST - NOVEMBER 2022					
		Funding			Carers		
		New	Addition	Total	New	Addition	Total
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	-	-	-	88	269	357
CHO 1	Donegal	-	-	-	141	68	209
CHO 1	Sligo Leitrim	-	-	-	33	53	86
CHO 1	Total	-	-	-	262	390	652
CHO 2	Galway	-	-	-	44	126	170
CHO 2	Mayo	-	-	-	155	146	301
CHO 2	Roscommon	-	-	-	12	99	111
CHO 2	Total	-	-	-	211	371	582
CHO 3	Clare	-	-	-	103	155	258
CHO 3	Limerick	-	-	-	58	143	201
CHO 3	North Tipperary East Limerick	-	-	-	30	55	85
CHO 3	Total	-	-	-	191	353	544
CHO 4	Kerry	-	-	-	191	119	310
CHO 4	North Cork	-	-	-	68	36	104
CHO 4	North Lee	-	-	-	96	67	163
CHO 4	South Lee	-	-	-	365	262	627
CHO 4	West Cork	-	-	-	60	64	124
CHO 4	Total	-	-	-	780	548	1,328
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	-	-	-	29	98	127
CHO 5	South Tipperary	-	-	-	35	74	109
CHO 5	Waterford	-	-	-	64	133	197
CHO 5	Wexford	-	-	-	205	328	533
CHO 5	Total	-	-	-	333	633	966
CHO 6	Dublin South East	-	-	-	34	46	80
CHO 6	Dun Laoghaire	-	-	-	29	80	109
CHO 6	Wicklow	-	-	-	70	91	161
CHO 6	Total	-	-	-	133	217	350
CHO 7	Dublin South City	-	-	-	107	15	122
CHO 7	Dublin South West	-	-	-	236	-	236
CHO 7	Dublin West	-	-	-	226	27	253
CHO 7	Kildare West Wicklow	-	-	-	194	-	194
CHO 7	Total	-	-	-	763	42	805
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	-	-	-	316	-	316
CHO 8	Longford Westmeath	-	-	-	37	19	56
CHO 8	Louth	-	-	-	68	143	211
CHO 8	Meath	-	-	-	94	64	158
CHO 8	Total	-	-	-	515	226	741
CHO 9	Dublin North	4	3	7	45	28	73
CHO 9	Dublin North Central	-	-	-	5	-	5
CHO 9	Dublin North West	-	-	-	2	11	13
CHO 9	Total	4	3	7	52	39	91
National Total		4	3	7	3,240	2,819	6,059