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Deputy Holly Cairns,
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RE PQ 24348/23

Question

To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the home support Tender 2023 process; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Response

Deputy Cairns,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) 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.

Home Support Services are an important component of the provision of service to older people with assessed needs and to support them in their choice of living in their own home and community. The HSE, working within its available resources, has sought to maintain and when possible, expand the range and volume of services available to support people to remain in their own homes, to prevent early admission to long term residential care and to support people to return to their homes following an acute hospital admission.

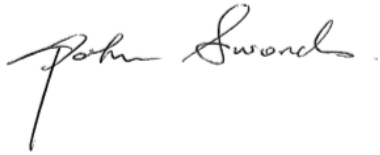
Home Support services for Older People are provided either by directly employed staff or by voluntary and private providers who have formal tender arrangements with the HSE to deliver the services. The type of support provided includes personal care and, where appropriate, essential household duties relating to the client's assessed needs.

The HSE published Stage 1 of its Invitation to participate on eTenders (<https://www.etenders.gov.ie/>) on the 1st of September 2022 with a submission deadline of 26th of September. Stage One of the process has been completed with the outcome communicated to the relevant parties.

The second stage of the tender process, to establish an Authorisation Scheme for the provision of these services, was published on 25th May 2023, with a closing date of Thursday 15th June 2023 at 10:00am.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Head of Procurement on (01) 635 2688 or via john.swords@hse.ie

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Swords". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a period at the end.

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