



HSE South West, Model Park, Model Farm Road, Cork. Eircode: T12HT02

15th May 2025

Mr. John Paul O'Shea,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2

PQ ref 21464/25

"To ask the Minister for Health the level of overall funding provided by her Department to the HSE South Cork and Kerry for distribution to Section 39 agencies, taking into account inflation costs and statutory sick pay entitlements in which Section 39 organisations have had to endure over recent years; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy O'Shea,

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

The Health Act 2004 provides that the Health Service Executive (HSE), may, subject to conditions, fund the services provided by non-statutory agencies. Section 38 and 39 arrangements are the mechanisms by which the HSE funds and manages services provided by these non-statutory organizations. Section 38 organisations are funded to provide services on behalf of the HSE. Section 39 organisations are partly funded by the HSE and operate independently but provide essential health and social services that complement the public healthcare system.

The table below sets out the level of funding provided to Section 39 organizations in the HSE South West region for 2024.

CARE GROUP	Total AMOUNT PAID €
Disability Services	103,658,049
Health and Wellbeing	905,459
Mental Health Services	22,116,311
Older Persons Services	17,602,908
Palliative Care / Chronic Illness Services	277,680
Primary Care Services	14,438,190
Social Inclusion Services	18,459,229
Total Paid	177,457,827

Yours Sincerely.

Gerard O'Callaghan
Regional Director of Finance South West