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**Deputy Barry Heneghan,
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To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide updated figures on the number of people currently waiting for dementia-specific day care or home care services in each CHO area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Barry Heneghan

Dear Deputy Heneghan,

I refer to your parliamentary question, which was passed to the HSE for response.

The HSE supports the delivery of day care services nationally, whilst these services may not be considered dementia specific, a large number of people with dementia attend and benefit greatly from these services each week.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland (ASI) operate a number of dementia specific day care services nationally and are financially supported and are currently managed by the HSE through Service Level Agreements within each CHO area. For clients who are unable to attend “traditional” day care at a day care centre for various reasons e.g. significant mobility issues, mental health issues, etc, ASI also provides a Day Care at Home service which offers many of the positive interventions of “traditional” day care but is delivered within the clients own home.

In response to the information which you have requested, the number of people currently waiting for dementia-specific day care or day care at home care services in each CHO area is outlined below in table 1. At present, the total number of people waiting on ASI led dementia day care services is 2605. However, it should be noted that a significant proportion of these clients waiting for dementia specific day care, may already be availing of, or can avail of other HSE home support services such as home care packages and respite. Obviously, availability of these services is dependent on a number of factors including the individual needs of the person, which are assessed and determined on a case-by-case basis, plus the availability of carers in the local area to deliver the required level of care for that specific person.



Table 1: No. of people currently waiting for dementia-specific day care and day care at home care services in each CHO area (as of July 2025)

CHO	Daycare waiting list	Daycare at Home waiting list	Total Waiting List Per CHO
1	25	203	228
2	0	863	863
3	0	247	247
4	150	200	350
5	35	172	207
6	35	13	48
7	40	257	297
8	50	127	177
9	10	178	188
Total	345	2260	2605

I trust this is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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