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Deputy Rice,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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PQ 30248/25 To ask the Minister for Health to list the HSE-approved providers of paediatric home care packages.

- Pádraig Rice

Dear Deputy Rice,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 30248/25) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Children with complex needs being cared for in their own homes is a small but increasing proportion of those receiving community services. Paediatric Home Care Packages (PHCP) are intensive packages of care put in place to support the care by families of seriously ill children within the family home. Children's complex healthcare needs may include health and social care needs, in the presence of a recognised medical condition or sometimes where no unifying diagnosis exists.

In 2021 the HSE concluded a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for homecare services to support the care of children with complex health care needs in their own homes and the DPS is in place until July 2026. There are currently six providers on the DPS as shown in the table below. When each new PHCP case is put in place all six providers are invited to tender for the new case which is for the provision of a nursing managed homecare service to support the care of a child with complex care needs in their own home based on the care requirements of the child.

Bayada Home Healthcare
Better Safe Care t/a Bluebird Care
Communicare Agency
Servisource Healthcare T/A My Homecare
Resilience Healthcare
Scottish Nursing Guild

Note that other providers can apply to join the DPS during the lifetime of the DPS. All applications to join the DPS must meet a number of requirements including, for example, Clinical Standards, Quality Standards, Capacity and Company experience / Demonstrated Track record etc.



I trust this is of assistance.

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