



Oifig an Stiúrthóir Cúnta Náisiúnta,
Foireann Míchumais Náisiúnta, An Chéad
Urlár - Oifigí 13, 14, 15, Áras Phlásóg na Rós,
Coimpléasc Gnó na hOllscoile, Páirc
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PQ: 31623/25

To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the number of new service providers that are private companies that were contracted by the State in the disability sector during 2024; the monetary value of such contracts; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear deputy Byrne,

Thank you for your Parliamentary Question referenced above, which has been forwarded to me for direct reply.

The HSE works in partnership with organisations including Section 38, Section 39, Out of State and For Profit organisations to ensure the best level of service possible is provided to people with a disability, and their families, within the available resources. The majority of specialised disability provision (80%) is delivered through non-statutory sector service providers.

The HSE acknowledges the role and contribution of non-statutory agencies in the development and provision of health and personal social services and is committed to the development of effective working relationships as enacted by the Health Act 2004

The HSE has over 1,045 Service Arrangements or Grant Aid Agreements with approximately 419 organisations providing a wide variety of disability services on behalf of the HSE.

As part of a HSE wide requirement to ensure appropriate governance arrangements that underpin the release of the funding of Agencies, a Governance Framework for Funded Agencies (Framework) has been developed which ensures a consistent approach in this regard.

The HSE must have in place appropriate contractual arrangements Service Arrangements (SA) and Grant Aid Agreements (GA) with all Agencies that have funding released to them for the provision of services.

For organisations that receive in excess of €250,000, the terms and conditions associated with the funding are set out in a Service Arrangement (SA). For organisations that receive less than €250,000 the terms and conditions are set out in a Grant Aid Agreement (GAA).

The Service Arrangement and Grant Aid Agreement are contracts and operate on the principles of contract law. There is a requirement that they are renewed each year to support the transfer of the very significant sums of public money involved.

The Framework was introduced to implement the legislative provisions of the Health Act, 2004 and to reflect the requirements for public accountability where the HSE is legally obliged to account for all public expenditure on health and personal social services. In this regard, the SA is a key document which comprises of Part 1 and the HPSR documents



The Framework seeks to provide a level of governance which links funding provided to a quantum of service and provides for these services to be linked to quality standards, with continuous monitoring to ensure equity, efficiency and effective use of available resources.

For further information please see:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/publications/non-statutory-sector/section-39-documentation.html>

With regard to the number of new service providers that are private companies that were contracted by the State in the disability sector during 2024 and the monetary value, please see Appendix 1.

Please note that this information has been obtained from the SPG system (Service Provider Governance System). The Information is as at the date indicated, and represents the funding arrangement allocations entered by the operational system.

SPG is not a finance or payment system and figures will fluctuate on a continuum as updates on governance arrangement are uploaded.

Yours Sincerely,

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General Manager, Disability Services, Access & Integration



Appendix 1.

Report generated on 12.06.25. New Private Service Providers (Disability Services) during 2024

	Year	Agency SPG ID	Part 1 Ref	Agency Name	Section	Disability Services Funding
1	2024	117683	33,832	Carespan Support Services	For Profit - SA	€118,483
2	2024	117684	33,833	Lotus Care Ltd.	For Profit - SA	€417,126
3	2024	117685	33,834	Holy Family Nursing Home Ltd.	For Profit - SA	€486,016
4	2024	117686	33,841	Oakwater Therapy Services Limited	For Profit - SA	€98,333
5	2024	117689	33,845	The Nightingale Agency International Limited	For Profit - SA	€362,609
6	2024	117691	33,850	Gentle Hands Homecare Limited	For Profit - SA	€1
7	2024	117696	33,861	Hibernia Home Care Group Limited	For Profit - SA	€5,261
8	2024	117698	33,863	Serenity Supported Homecare Limited	For Profit - SA	€690,544
9	2024	117704	33,876	Leapfrog Training Studio Limited	For Profit - SA	€315,000
10	2024	117707	33,879	Across The Spectrum Limited	For Profit - SA	€680,000
11	2024	117708	33,880	EA Achieve Therapy Supports Limited	For Profit - SA	€2,580,000
12	2024	117709	33,881	Insight Psychology Ireland Limited	For Profit - SA	€3,045,000
13	2024	117712	33,883	Little Apples Limited	For Profit - SA	€16,400
14	2024	117713	33,884	Key Assets Ireland Consulting Services Limited	For Profit - SA	€3,576,000
15	2024	117717	33,889	Ashbury Nursing Home Limited	For Profit - SA	€3,720
16	2024	117727	33,909	Dabakala Limited	For Profit - SA	€1,036,406
17	2024	117730	33,918	Virtue Disability Limited	For Profit - SA	€155,000
18	2024	117732	33,920	Allanbay Limited	For Profit - SA	€324,384
19	2024	117733	33,922	Solas Psychology Limited	For Profit - SA	€192,000
20	2024	117734	33,924	Ashwood Healthcare Services Limited	For Profit - SA	€4,929
21	2024	117737	33,933	Chlokat Limited	For Profit - SA	€290,391
22	2024	117740	33,940	Knox Care Limited	For Profit - SA	€40,000
23	2024	117746	33,955	Orbitview Limited	For Profit - SA	€57,356
24	2024	117748	33,956	24HrCareServices Limited	For Profit - SA	€65,000
25	2024	117750	33,959	Klaine Childcare Limited	For Profit - SA	€404,688
26	2024	117751	33,961	Neurodiverse Limited	For Profit - SA	€774,000
27	2024	117753	33,962	Evolve Psychology Services Limited	For Profit - SA	€250,000
28	2024	117706	35,819	Omnia Mental Health Clinic Limited	For Profit - SA	€70,000

Please note that this information was obtained from the SPG (Service Provider Governance System) which is a tracking system and not a finance system.