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Mr. Peter Cleere T.D., Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2.

PQ 9869/25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of home care support hours provided in Carlow-Kilkenny in 2024; the target in place for such provision in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cleere,

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

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

The table below outlines details in relation to Home Support Hours provided in the Carlow/Kilkenny area in 2024. These are either delivered directly by the HSE or funded by the HSE and provided by external providers on the agreed framework.

Carlow /Kilkenny Home Support Hours 2024

Direct Hours	Indirect Hours	Total Home Support Hours
378,363	117,535	495,898

Notwithstanding the significant level of service provision, the demand for Home Support has grown over recent years. In 2025 it is planned to enhance service delivery having regard for increased service demands. The 2025 indicative target for Home Support for Carlow/Kilkenny is 505, 359 hours.

I trust this clarifies. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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