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Mr. Joe Flaherty T.D
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Re: Parliamentary Question – 55218/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of home care support applications in County Longford that are still awaiting some level of service; and the average wait times. -Joe Flaherty

Dear Deputy Flaherty,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and I outline the position as follows.

I have consulted colleagues in Older Person services and there are currently 65 applications on the Longford Home Support services waiting list with an average wait time of three weeks. Carer capacity remains an ongoing issue within the Home Support services department and the Home Support services department is looking at solutions to address this matter. A recruitment campaign continues within CHO8 to recruit additional HCSA to address gaps in service provision.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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