

Ms Pauline Tully TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
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D02 XR20

6th November 2024

Re: PQ ref 43045/24 - Home Support Waiting List

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of people that were waiting on the homecare support waiting list in County Cavan and County Monaghan in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form.” – P Tully

Dear Deputy Tully,

I refer to your parliamentary question above which has been referred to me for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

I can advise that in mid-2020 the Home Support Department introduced an Access Database to record all Home Support Services Users in receipt of Home Support across the total Cavan Monaghan geographical area. Historical information is not available, therefore, the waitlist for the year 2020 cannot be provided.

Please find the table below which details the total number of client’s waitlisted on the 31st December 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 to date.

Due to the fluidity of Home Support hours, it is not possible to calculate the number of days waiting for each new client, or existing client, per month for each year, as this would not give an accurate reading.

Cavan Monaghan Home Support Waiting List 2021 to 2023

| Cavan Monaghan Home Support Waiting List* | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Number of service users waiting on new service | 75 | 78 | 50 |
| Number of service users waiting on an additional service | 147 | 312 | 244 |

*numbers recorded on the last day of Dec**

Cavan Monaghan Home Support Waiting List to 5th November 2024

| Category | Service Users | Number of hours |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|
| Number of service users waiting on new service | 51 | 199.25 |
| Number of service users waiting on an additional service | 187 | 564 |



I hope this information is of benefit to you, if you require any further information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Martin Collum". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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