

## Appendix 2

### Home Care Packages and Home Help Hours

The HSE has begun work on streamlining home care services by introducing a single funded home support service in 2018. This brings together the funding for home help and standard home care packages which now operates as a single home support service from 2018 onwards. As both home help and home care packages are now included within a single funded home support service (w.e.f. 1 January 2018) the cost of delivering additional home help hours or packages is no longer relevant.

The estimated cost for future services and the targets being set are in respect of home support hours.

The HSE has advised that

**-The cost of increasing Home Support by 5%, 10% & 30%?**

- €438m
- €458m
- €542m

**-The cost increasing expenditure to the level required to provide home support services in every case where a need has been identified?**

- €38m

**-The cost of an additional 1,000 home support and 200 intensive home care packages respectively?**

- €6.3m & €10.4m

**-The cost of an additional 1 million home support hours based on the current service ratio (weekdays vrs weekends/outside core hours)?**

- €24.2m

**-Can you provide details re the number of home support packages currently funded?**

- Activity is counted in 2018 in terms of number of Home Support hours provided and the number of clients in receipt of same.
- As at 31st July 2018 there were 52,549 people in receipt of Home Support (preliminary data) and 233 in receipt of an Intensive Home Care Package.
- July YTD a total of 9,820,962 Home Support hours have been provided plus 223,026 Home Support hours provided through IHCP's

**-Can you provide details of the funding increases and additional home care packages given in each year since 2015?**

**-Can you provide details of funding increases and the number of home help hours funded in each year since 2015?**

Activity 2015 - 2018				
	2018 TARGET	2017	2016	2015
Home Help Hours Provided		10.4m	10.54m	10.45m
Homecare Packages		19,807	16,351	15,527
IHCP's	235	224	206	195
Total 2018 Target HS Hours incl IHCPs	17.67m			
Total	€416.89m	€377m	€349m	€306m