Waiting list for subsidised community care services for the elderly

- As at 31 October 2026, there were a total of 18 442 applicants being waitlisted for various types of subsidised community care services (CCS) for the elderly in the Central Waiting List for subsidised long term care services. Details were as follows:

Subsidised CCS for the elderly	No. of applicants
Home Care Services for Frail Elderly Persons*	15 317
Day Care Centres/Units for the Elderly	3 125
Total	**18 442**

*With effective from 1 April 2026, Integrated Home Care Services (Frail Case) [IHCS(FC)] and Enhanced Home and Community Care Services (EHCCS) have been renamed as one single type of service as "Home Care Services (HCS) for Frail Elderly Persons".

Waiting Time

- With reference to information as at 31 October 2026, the average waiting times for various types of subsidised CCS for the elderly were as follows:

Subsidised CCS for the elderly	**Waiting time (in months) (Average from the past 3 months)** Note[1]
Home Care Services for Frail Elderly Persons*	17
Day Care Centres/Units for the Elderly	6

Note[1]	It is the average number of months taken between the waitlist date and the admission date of normal cases admitted to service in the past three months. Cases accorded priority in allocation of service and those with inactive history admitted in the past three months have been excluded in the calculation because their waiting time may be extraordinarily long or short in comparison with that of normal cases. As at the end of October 2026, there were 8 577 elderly persons classified as "inactive" upon using the Community Care Service Voucher for the Elderly.