

Waiting list for subsidised community care services for the elderly

- As at 31 December 2019, there were a total of 10 573 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
Integrated Home Care Services (Frail cases)/Enhanced Home and Community Care Services	5 961
Day Care Centres/Units for the Elderly	4 612
Total	10 573

Waiting Time

- With reference to information as at 31 December 2019, 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
Integrated Home Care Services (Frail Cases)/Enhanced Home and Community Care Services	15
Day Care Centres/Units for the Elderly	14
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 December 2019, there were 2 754 elderly persons classified as “inactive” upon using the Community Care Service Voucher for the Elderly.