# **National Physical and Sensory Disability Database Bulletin 2017**



CHO Area 3: Clare, Limerick, North Tipperary/East Limerick

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### **Numbers registered**

There were 1,081 people registered on the National Physical and Sensory Disability Database (NPSDD) in Community Healthcare Organisation (CHO) Area 3 (Clare, Limerick, North Tipperary/East Limerick) in December 2017. All of these records were registered or reviewed within the last 5 years. In 2017, 32 new records registered on the

NPSDD and 629 existing records were reviewed. The effective planning and provision of services is dependent on reliable information on the numbers and service needs of people with disabilities, therefore it is essential that everyone who is eligible for inclusion on the database is encouraged to participate, and information is reviewed frequently to ensure it is kept up to date.

Table 1 Record status in CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017

	Registered or last reviewed in 2017		Registered or last reviewed 2013-2016 inclusive		Older record (registered or last reviewed prior to 2013)		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	% of total NPSDD (20,676)
Community Healthcare Organisation (CHO) Area 3	661	61.1	420	38.9	0	0.0	1,081	5.2

### **Demographic profile**

Figure 1 Percentage of service users registered by age group and gender CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017

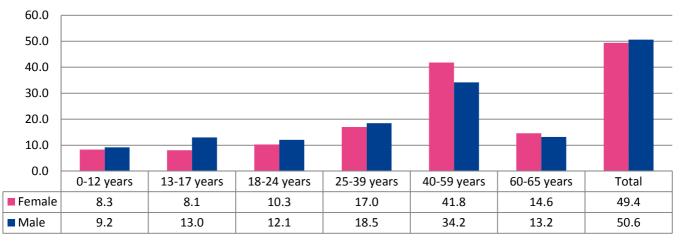


Table 2 Service users by age group and gender CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017								
	0-12 years	13-17 years	18-24 years	25-39 years	40-59 years	60-65 years	Total	
Female	44	43	55	91	223	78	534	
Male	50	71	66	101	187	72	547	

#### **Local Health Office**

Table 3 details the number of individuals registered within each Local Health Office of CHO Area 3.

Table 3 Number of people registered within the Local Health Offices of CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017					
Local Health Office Area of Residence	n	%			
Limerick Area 20	547	50.6			
North Tipperary/East Limerick Area 21	263	24.3			
Clare Area 22	271	25.1			
Total	1,081	100.0			

# Living accommodation & living arrangements in 2017

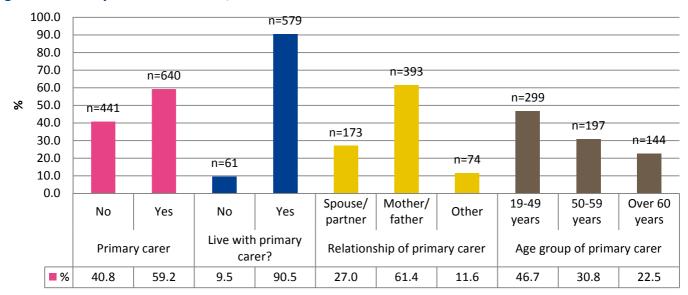
A total of 832 (77.0%) people in CHO Area 3 were living in private accommodation and 199 people (18.4%) were in rented accommodation. 50 people (4.6%) were residing in residential services, mobile homes, other accommodation or were homeless. The majority of people (876, 81.0%) were residing with family members, 135 people (12.5%) were living alone and the remaining 70 (6.5%) described their living arrangements as living with non-relatives, in

residential services, 'other' arrangements or with foster family.

#### **Primary carer**

Of those registered in CHO Area 3, 640 (59.2%) reported having a primary carer. Of these, 90.5% (579) lived with their primary carer. 61.4% (393) of primary carers were parents and 27.0% (173) were spouse/partner. Approximately half of primary carers (299, 46.7%) were aged between 19 and 49 years of age and 197 (30.8%) primary carers were aged between 50 and 59 years of age, 144 (22.5%) were aged 60 years or over.

Figure 2 Primary carer CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017



Neurological (388, 35.9%)

Speech and/or language (18, 1.7%)

Visual (94, 8.7%)

Hearing loss/deafness

Figure 3: Type of disability, CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017

#### **Primary diagnostic category**

The most frequently reported primary diagnostic categories for **children** were cerebral palsy (26, 12.5%), specific speech and language disorder (21, 10.1%), sensorineural deafness (20, 9.6%). The most frequently reported primary diagnostic categories for **adults** were multiple sclerosis (223, 25.5%), cerebral palsy (71, 8.1%) and head injury (44, 5.0%).

(56, 5.2%)

#### Secondary diagnostic category

46.2% of **children** (96) had a secondary diagnostic reported. The most frequently reported secondary diagnostic categories for **children** were scoliosis/curvature of the spine, autistic spectrum disorder and intellectual disability (10, 4.8% respectively). 46.2% of **adults** (403) reported a secondary diagnosis. The most frequently reported secondary diagnostic categories for **adults** were diabetes (34, 3.9%), epilepsy (28, 3.2%) and asthma (19, 2.0%).

# Measure of Activity and Participation (MAP)

The MAP section of the dataform is completed only by those aged 16 years and over. The percentages

presented below are based on those who completed the MAP section of the dataform (896 people, 82.9%).

- Barriers and challenges: The three areas reported as the greatest barriers to participation were: climate/weather (595, 66.4%), physical environment (459, 51.2%) and access to information (445, 44.2%).
- Participation restriction: shopping (488, 54.5%), sports or physical recreation (473, 52.8%) and socialising (465, 51.9%) were the three greatest areas of restriction experienced by those in this CHO area.
- WHODAS 2.0: The overall interference with life was reported as the greatest area of difficulty for those in this CHO area (739, 82.5%), standing for long periods (630, 70.3%) and walking long distances (597, 66.6%).

#### **Service Information 2017**

Table 4 summarises service provision and requirements within CHO Area 3 in 2017.

Table 4 Number and percentage of people registered by service use and requirement, CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017

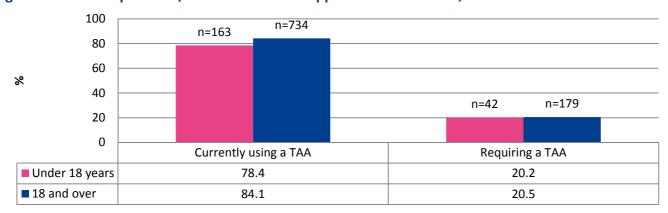
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	Currently availing of services	Unmet need for services	Require changes/ alternate service	Currently availing of services	Unmet need for services	Require changes/ alternate service	
Therapeutic intervention and rehabilitation services	201 (96.6%)	42 (20.2%)	23 (11.1%)	780 (89.3%)	171 (19.6%)	200 (22.9%)	
Personal assistance and support services	64 (30.8%)	~	~	424 (48.6%)	53 (6.1%)	43 (4.9%)	
Day services	198 (95.2%)	~	101 (48.6%)	369 (42.3%)	34 (3.9%)	59 (6.8%)	
Respite services*	38 (18.3%)	~	~	78 (8.9%)	60 (6.9%)	12 (1.4%)	
Residential services	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	47 (5.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	

<sup>\*</sup>Less than 5 children and 8 (0.9%) adults accessed emergency respite services.

To protect against the indirect identification of individuals, values in cells containing less than 5 cases have been supressed and denoted with the symbol ~

#### Assistive products/technical aids and appliances (TAAs)

Figure 4 Assistive products/technical aids and appliances CHO Area 3, NPSDD 2017



- The most commonly used TAA items for children were: special furniture and other aids to personal care (144 items), orthotics and prosthetics (89 items) and aids to mobility (62 items).
- The most commonly used items for adults were: special furniture and other aids to personal care (1,251 items), aids to mobility (896 items) and vision aids (256 items).
- The most common requests for children were for: orthotics and prosthetics (17 items), aids to mobility (13 items) and special furniture and other aids to personal care (12 items).
- The most common requests for adults were for: vision aids (90 items), aids to mobility (66 items) and special furniture and other aids to personal care (57 items).

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