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Senator: Tim Ayres

Question:

CHAIR: Is there a proportion of the applications you receive, particularly for home care, that are reapplications—providers improving their application and coming back again—or are they all brand new applications?

Ms Anderson: No. The count that I have given you for residential care applications—they're all new applications. For home care, for the January-March quarter, we received 38 applications, compared to nine for residential care—to make my point from earlier. Overall, in the same period, we approved two and declined nine, and a further 26 did not proceed. So I think that probably is the illustration to my earlier comment.

CHAIR: Those 26 are largely home care, are they?

Ms Anderson: The numbers I just quoted are all home care.

CHAIR: We're running over time. Would you be able to provide me, on notice, with the figures for each of the quarters through 2020 and for the first quarter of this year?

Ms Anderson: Yes.

Answer:

Quarterly sector performance data, which includes data on applications to become an approved provider, is published on the Commission's website at:
www.agedcarequality.gov.au/sector-performance#archived-sector-performance-data.