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PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION
ASKED BY

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TO

HON. ROLSTON M. ANGLIN, MINISTER OF FINANCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

QUESTION:

Can the Honourable Minister state whether CINICO's caregiver allowance rates have been adjusted to reflect the new statutory minimum wage, and if not, when will the Government bring those allowances into compliance with the minimum wage law?

ANSWER:

Mister Speaker, it is clear from the drafting of the question that there is an assumption that the Home Healthcare ("HHC") allowances were initially established by reference to the statutory minimum wage. That assumption is not valid and there is no linkage to the statutory minimum wage. Accordingly, the allowances have not been increased following the recent minimum wage adjustment.

The HHC benefit is administered by CINICO as a fixed, capped allowance under a benefits schedule that was established by the Government.

Total HHC expenditure in 2025 was approximately \$11.4 million compared to \$9.6 million in 2024. CINICO has indicated that, based on current projections, adjusting the present HHC allowance rates to reflect the current minimum wage, could increase costs by as much as \$9.0 million per year, depending on utilisation and claims trends. Any such increase in the HHC would require further assessment and costing to determine its affordability and, it is highly likely that Supplementary Expenditure funding will be required.

A Paper will be sent to Cabinet this month (March 2026) which, will seek a decision as to whether the HHC allowance levels are to be increased.

Thank you, Mister Speaker.