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Reply sent by email to Jackie Kerby at: request-590393-3dbc894d@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Jackie

Re: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your email dated 18 July 2019, making a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for access to information which may be held by NHS Chorley and South Ribble Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

Please find detailed below NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG's response to your request, which is formatted as follows:-

1. Details of NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG's decision in regard to the information requested.
2. A schedule of all the records covered by your request.
3. A statement concerning copyright and re-use of public sector information.
4. Details of how you can appeal this decision should you wish to do so.

This letter addresses each of these parts in turn:-

1. Decision

I can confirm that NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG holds part of the information requested.

2. Schedule of records/FOI response

Request: What was the allocated budget and actual spend for Special School Nursing within the CCG during the last financial year, 01/04/18 – 31/03/19?

Response: The allocation for funding for special needs school nursing is aligned with the complex needs nursing services allocation, in a wider block contract arrangement for therapy and nursing services for children and young people. The allocations for the nursing services for 18/19 were: £162,872.



Request: What was the cost per capita for Special School Nursing between 01/04/18 – 31/03/19?

Response: This is provided as part of a block contract and not by cost per capita.

Request: What was the allocated budget and actual spend for School Nursing in Special Schools within the CCG during the last financial year, 01/4/18 – 31/03/19?
What was the cost per capita for School Nursing in Special Schools between 01/40/18 – 31/03/19?

Response: The CCG does not hold this information as school nursing services are commissioned by Lancashire County Council (LCC). You may wish to redirect this request to LCC by email at: [*freedomofinformation@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@lancashire.gov.uk).

Request: What health services are commissioned by the CCG in order to meet the health needs of CLA?

Response: The CCG commissions generic health services, within its mandate, for all registered patients alongside a range of interdependent services that contribute to the health needs of CLA, these include - Community and Neurodevelopmental Paediatrics to provide Initial Health Assessments, Enhanced CLA Service to coordinate and quality review Health Assessments. Referrals as required to appropriate commissioned services e.g. CAMHS, Speech and Language Therapy

Request: What is the budget allocation for health of CLA service and actual spend? (01/04/18 – 31/03/19)?

Response: As explained previously there is no separate designated budget for CLA apart, from the CCG's enhanced CLA allocation which totals £104,751. Please note that this cost is shared with NHS Greater Preston CCG.

Request: Does the CCG fund all health service provision for CLA?

Response: The CCG funds generic health services within its mandate for all registered patients and in line with the responsible commissioner for CLA placed out of area.

Request: How many health assessments and care leavers assessments for CLA were completed in the last financial year (01/04/18 – 31/03/19)?

Response: **The CCG does not hold this information. It is suggested that you contact the provider/commissioning organisations for this information.

Initial health assessments are carried out By Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust which can be contacted by email at: freedomofinformation@lthtr.nhs.uk.

Subsequent health assessments are commissioned by Lancashire County Council, which can be contacted at the email address above*. These assessments are undertaken by Virgin Care.

Request: What is the allocated target time frame for completing health assessments of CLA?

Response: 20 working days as detailed within the statutory guidance.

Request: How many health assessments for CLA were completed within the target time frame during the last financial year?

Response: ** Please see previous response.

Request: How are health needs for children placed for adoption or foster care met by the CCG?

Response: As detailed previously – children placed for adoption or foster care can access initial health assessments; adoption medicals and referral to the appropriate commissioned services if required (interdependencies with Local Authority commissioned services, namely review health assessments).

Request: What health service provision is allocated to unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC) and within what time frame?

Response: Unaccompanied asylum seeking children can access initial health assessments, as per CLA statutory guidance within 20 working days. They also have access to referrals to any appropriate generic services as and when required.

Request: Do you provide any other health service for CLA, children who have been adopted, adopters, foster carers or UASC?

Response: The CCGs commissions generic health services within its mandate for all registered patients.

Request: Do you provide full BAAF medicals for adopters and foster carers as part of a Service level Agreement with Local Authorities? If so what is the average cost? Do you provide updated medicals for adopters and foster carers, if so what is the average cost and is this part of a Service Level Agreement with Local Authorities?

Response: These are commissioned by the local authority. *Please see previous contact details.

3. Copy and reuse of public sector information provided in FOI response

Most of the information provided by NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG in response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 requests will be subject to copyright protection. In the

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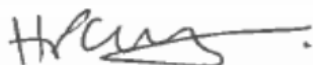
4. Right of appeal to FOI response

If you are dissatisfied with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you are entitled to complain in the following way:

Initially you should complain in writing to the freedom of information officer, either by email on csrccg.foi@nhs.net or post to Chorley House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TT, specifying why you feel you have been wrongly denied access to the information requested. The freedom of information officer will ensure your complaint is investigated under NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG's internal processes and provide you with a written response within 20 working days.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG.

Yours sincerely



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