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Your ref:

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Dear Ms Tilling,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Your request for information has been considered by Warwickshire County Council under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked us for:

1. Number of hours of EHCP OT provision commissioned annually

Information not held.

Please be advised that Warwickshire County Council (WCC) does not commission or record OT provision in this way.

The Integrated Care Board and the Council commission universal and targeted OT services through South Warwickshire University NHS Foundation Trust.

This provision is accessed by children and young people with and without EHCPs who have OT needs.

On occasion the Council also directly commissions OT on behalf of children and young people where therapy is required over and above that which is available through the core commissioned local offer.

2. Number of hours of EHCP OT provision that is unfulfilled at this current moment

Information not held.

As advised above, WCC does not commission or record OT provision in this way.

3. Number of children waiting for OT assessments to form their EHCP

In order to undertake education, health and care needs assessments, WCC requests OT advice from SWUFT, the agreed provider.

Currently there are no children waiting longer than six weeks for this advice (the statutory timescale for advice).

4. What proportion of your organisation's annual requirement for EHCP OT provision is delivered by an outsource independent provider?

WCC commissions SWUFT to provide Occupational Therapy services.

Occasionally where it is not possible for SWUFT to provide OT services, due to reasons of capacity or eligibility for these services, then providers are commissioned through spot purchasing. The Council does not hold a central record of how much OT provision is commissioned through independent providers.

5. If you commission an independent provider to deliver the OT element of EHCPS' on your behalf, please can you advise what commissioning mechanism you use:

- a. Through frameworks**
- b. Direct relationships**
- c. Preferred Supplier lists**
- d. Other (please elaborate)**

b. Through spot purchasing, using registered Occupational Therapists known to the Council.

6. Where is your framework published?

Not applicable. There is no framework.

7. Who are your current Paediatric preferred suppliers for providing EHCP OT provisions

- a. Name of supplier**
- b. Cost per assessment**
- c. Cost per treatment session**

d. Travel and mileage costs

Information not held.

WCC does not hold a list of preferred suppliers. EHCP OT provision is delivered through South Warwickshire University Foundation Trust, with use of other providers as an exceptional circumstance.

8. Do you have a ceiling price for commissioning occupational therapy EHCP OT provision?

No. This is considered with on a case by case basis.

9. If yes, please give indicate costs for:

a. Cost per assessment

b. Cost per treatment session

c. Travel and mileage costs

Not applicable

10. Who is the main contact/team responsible for EHCP provision and allocation of therapy?

Team - SEND & Inclusion services, sen@warwickshire.gov.uk

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The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Phone: 0303 123 1113
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I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Sheward
Information Rights Officer