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Dear Mr Burden

Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

On 25 May 2017 you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act, to NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) relating to NHS Continuing Healthcare. I now provide the information within the attached paper.

I trust that this is the information you require and that your request has been fully discharged.

If you are unhappy with this response, you are entitled to request an internal review of our decision, handled where possible by a member of staff not directly involved in the initial decision. If you wish to request such a review, please write direct to The Head of Information Governance, NHS Dorset CCG, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Vespasian House, Barrack Road, Dorchester DT1 1TG. We aim to deal with requests for internal review within three weeks of receipt, although where the issues involved are very complicated this period may be extended up to a total of six weeks.

If you have queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number and I shall be pleased to offer any further assistance that you may require.

Yours sincerely

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Sally Shead

Director of Nursing and Quality
NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group



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Question 1

How many adults in your CCG currently receive NHS Continuing Healthcare?

Response

There are 593 adults in NHS Dorset CCG currently receiving NHS Continuing Healthcare.

Question 2 a)

How many adults in your CCG currently receive:

a) fully funded NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care?

Response

There are 562 adults in NHS Dorset CCG currently receiving fully funded NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care.

Question 2 b)

How many adults in your CCG currently receive:

b) Joint funded Local Authority / NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care?

Response

There are 31 adults in NHS Dorset CCG currently receiving joint funded local authority/ NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care.

Question 2 c)

How many adults in your CCG currently receive:

c) NHS funded nursing care?

Response

There are 1,267 adults in NHS Dorset CCG currently receiving NHS Funded Nursing Care.

Question 2 d)

How many adults in your CCG currently receive:

d) "Care at Home" NHS Continuing Healthcare packages care?

Response

NHS Dorset CCG does not hold this information in the format required. We are unable to extract this data using our data source.

Questions 3,4,5,6,7 & 8 for 2015/16 & 2016/17	Response 2015-16 £s	Response 2016-17 £s
What was the total NHS Continuing Healthcare budget for adults in your CCG	72,859,356	70,005,719
What was the actual amount spent on NHS Continuing Healthcare for adults by your CCG	72,796,720.	67,241,888
Fully funded NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care?	64,730,251	54,475,746
Joint funded Local Authority / NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care?	106,191	300,400.
NHS funded nursing care?	7,960,277	12,765,742
"Care at Home" NHS Continuing Healthcare packages of care	NHS Dorset CCG does not hold this information in the format required. We are unable to extract this data using our data source.	NHS Dorset CCG does not hold this information in the format required. We are unable to extract this data using our data source.

Question 9

What is your CCG's total NHS Continuing Healthcare budget for adults for each of the years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20?

Response

NHS Dorset CCG's total NHS Continuing Healthcare budget for adults for each of the years 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 is as follows:

- 2017/2018 budget is £64,370,698;
- 2018/2019 budget will be agreed using 2017/2018 Month 11 outturn figures;
- 2019/2020 budget will be agreed using 2018/2019 Month 11 outturn figures.

Question 10

If your response to Question 9 shows you propose to maintain your NHS Continuing Healthcare budget at current levels or reduce your NHS Continuing Healthcare budget for adults in your CCG, please provide a full explanation of how you will achieve this without making unlawful decisions about eligibility or reducing the size of packages of care.

Response

The Continuing Healthcare budget is calculated each year using the previous financial year's Month 11 outturn, and is therefore based on the expenditure for the previous financial year. The budget is not taken into consideration when making eligibility decisions and therefore this will not influence the decision-making process for Continuing Healthcare.

NHS Dorset CCG is working collectively with local authorities on a joint approach to commissioning from the local care markets.