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Dear N Douglas

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## **RE: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your request under the *Freedom of Information Act 2000* (the Act). This response is provided on behalf of NHS Wandsworth Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). Your request along with the CCG's response is detailed below.

Dear NHS Wandsworth Clinical Commissioning Group, Please may I request the following information with regard to NHS Wheelchair Services, to be provided under the Freedom of Information Act.

- 1. Who provides your current Wheelchair Service
- a. Is your provider an NHS organisation or a contracted-out, non-NHS organisation?
- b. What is the name of your current provider?
- c. What is the name of the Wheelchair Service Manager?
- 2. How your wheelchair services are provided
- a. Do you combine your Wheelchair Service with any other service, such as Prosthetics or Community Equipment? If so, please provide a list of the other services.
- b. Is your Wheelchair Service exclusive to your CCG?
- c. If you service is combined with another please provide a list of the CCGs that share this Wheelchair Service and confirm who is the lead CCG?
- d. Is the Repair and Maintenance element of the service "integrated" or contracted out to a 3rd party Approved Repairer?
- e. If you have an externally provided Approved Repairer, what is the name of your current provider?
- 3. About your wheelchair service
- a. What is the size of the population covered by your Wheelchair Service?
- b. How many registered service users are served by the Wheelchair Service?
- 4. About the Integrated (Combined service and Repair & Maintenance) contract with your provider
- a. What is the contract spend in the last financial year for the Integrated Wheelchair Service?
- b. Please state the dates of your last financial year.
- c. When was the Integrated Wheelchair Service last tendered?
- d. When does the current contract expire please provide details of any potential contract extension?
- e. Please provide the date this Wheelchair Service will be next tendered

- 5. About the Repair and Maintenance (R&M) sub-contract with your wheelchair provider (where appropriate)
- a. What is the contract spend in the last financial year for the R&M Wheelchair Service?
- b. Please state the dates of your last financial year.
- c. When was the R&M Wheelchair Service last tendered?
- d. When does the current R&M sub-contract expire please provide details of any potential contract extension
- e. Please provide the date that R&M Wheelchair Service sub-contract will be next tendered

I can confirm that NHS Wandsworth CCG does not hold this information. This information is held by our providers. Please contact them direct to obtain this information. Their contact details are given below.

#### Main acute contract:

St. George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust <a href="https://www.stgeorges.nhs.uk/">https://www.stgeorges.nhs.uk/</a>
https://www.stgeorges.nhs.uk/contact-and-find-us/

## Main community contract:

St. George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

https://www.stgeorges.nhs.uk/

https://www.stgeorges.nhs.uk/service/community-services/communitky-adult-health-service-cahs/

#### Main mental health contract:

South West London and St. George's Mental Health NHS Trust

http://www.swlstg-tr.nhs.uk/

http://www.swlstg-tr.nhs.uk/about-the-trust/transparency/freedom-of-information

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Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team** 

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