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Dear Ms Pembroke

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Nursing Services for Parkinson Patients**

Thank you for your information request indicated in bold below, which has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by NHS South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), and I am able to provide you with the following information and responses.

**You asked:**

**It is my understanding that the local group and Parkinson UK provided an amount of money to fund provision of nursing services to Parkinson patients.**

**1. Please can you advise how much was paid to the CCG (and in which financial year(s) money was received)?**

NHS South Cheshire CCG has not received any funding from the local Parkinson's UK group. The money raised by the local Parkinson's UK group was paid directly to Parkinson's UK. Parkinson's UK have agreed to provide funding to both NHS South Cheshire CCG and NHS Vale Royal CCG for a 2 year period.

This funding allows the providers, the Parkinson's Disease Specialist Nurse and the CCG to work together in the development and roll out of a Community based Parkinson's Specialist Nurse Service over two years, with the understanding that the full service will be mainstreamed from Year 3 with CCG funding. The funding was spent in the following:

Years	Finance
<b>2016 / 2017</b>	Service development commenced on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2016. Funding the University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust 313 days out of 365 days. £26,198.95 allocated from Parkinson's UK.
<b>2017 / 2018</b>	Funding 365 days out of 365 days. Salary – £30,857 allocated from Parkinson's UK
<b>2018 / 2019</b>	Funding 53 days out of 365 days. Salary – £4,525.41 allocated from Parkinson's UK



**2. How this money has been allocated e.g. £X or 60% salary of nurse and anything else this money has been spent on e.g. supplies/equipment?**

NHS South Cheshire CCG is unable to disclose a breakdown of how this money has been allocated. Disclosure of this information would identify the salary of the individual and would breach the Data Protection Act, in particular Principle 1 – Personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully. As a result, the CCG considers that section 40 (2) exemption of the Freedom of Information Act is engaged. This exemption covers the personal data of third parties where complying with the request would breach any of the principles of the Data Protection Act 1998.

**3. How much of this money has been spent to date?**

£21,762.60 has been spent to date.

**4. Any CCG contribution to the provision of this service?**

NHS South Cheshire CCG has contributed the equivalent of £6,000 per annum for equipment, administration, travel and support.

**5. How much the CCG spends in total provision of care to Parkinson's patients/services and how this is divided?**

NHS South Cheshire CCG's provision of care to Parkinson's patients / services is indicated in the answer to question 4. It should be noted that the CCG does commission and co-commission a range of primary, secondary and community care services which Parkinson's patients may also access, according to their individual needs. The Cheshire and Mersey Specialist Commissioning Team fund all other services for Neurology, which includes Parkinson's.

**6. A copy or details of any SLA or deliverables against this service?**

Please find attached the interim service specification which outlines the development of the service.

**7. The job description for the Parkinsons nurse?**

NHS South Cheshire CCG does not collect or hold this information. However, in an attempt to assist you, we would suggest that you re-direct your request to the University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust who employ the Parkinson's Disease Specialist Nurse, using the following link:

<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/aboutus/Statutory-Policies-and-Procedures/Pages/FreedomofInformationPublicationScheme.aspx#>

If you have any queries or concerns, wish to request a review of our response or are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to this Freedom of Information request, please do not hesitate to contact the Governance & Compliance team; details provided at the top of this letter.

If you request a review of our response and are not content with the subsequent outcome, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the Freedom of Information complaints procedure provided by NHS South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group.



The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Simon Whitehouse', written over a faint rectangular stamp.

Simon Whitehouse  
Chief Executive  
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**Enc:** Interim Service Specification

