

Reference: FOI 27314 SH 10C

Subject: Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders

I can confirm that the CCG does not hold the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION RESPONSE

In February 2017, Lord Boateng asked the government "what assessment they have made of the measures adopted in Scotand which provide guidance and support for children and young adults affected by foetal alcohol spectrum disorders." Lord O'Shaughnessy replied that "Early intervention services can help reduce some of the effects of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) and prevent some of the secondary disabilities that result. Responsibility for commissioning these services lies with clinical commissioning groups. [Hansard, Written Question HL5052, 10 February 2017.

https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Lords/2017-01-27/HL5052/]

This government policy was reiterated in July 2017 when Lord Campbell-Savours asked the government "what support they are providing for persons whose condition has been described as foetal alcohol spectrum disorder." [Hansard, Written Question HL500 and Written Answer, 18 July 2017, https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Lords/2017-07-05/HL500/] In response, Lord O'Shaughnessy for the government wrote that "It is recognised that Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) can have a significant impact on the early development of children, their behaviours and their life chances. Early intervention services can help reduce some of the effects of FASD and prevent some of the secondary disabilities that result. Responsibility for commissioning these services lies with clinical commissioning groups." This was again repeated on 8 May 2018 by Steve Brine, Parliamentary Under-secretary at the Department of Health and Social Care. [Hansard, Written Question 139045, 8 May 2018. https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions/commons/2018-04-27/139045/]

The following conditions fall under the Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) umbrella: Foetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), Alcohol-Related Neurodevelopmental Disorder (ARND), Alcohol-Related Birth Defects (ARBD), Foetal Alcohol Effects (FAE) and



partial Foetal Alcohol Syndrome (pFAS)) or neurodevelopmental disorders linked to prenatal alcohol exposure (NDPAE)				
In light of the above information I would like to ask you to provide:				
1. Copies of any policies that the Trust has on the prevention of FASD, and on the diagnosis and post-diagnostic care pathway for patients with an FASD. Also your policy on the training of Trust personnel to manage patients with FASD.	The CCG does not hold trust policies. Please contact Frimley Health Foundation Trust (Email: fhft.foi@nhs.net) and Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust: (igteam@sabp.nhs.uk)			
2. Any information you hold on services your Trust provided for FASD for:				
a) Prevention education following the 2016 Chief Medical Officers' guidelines that the safest course is not to drink while pregnant or attempting to become pregnant;	Prevention education for women attempting to become pregnant would be part of Public Health's (Surrey County Council) remit. Prevention education for women not to drink while pregnant would also be part of the Public Health's remit alongside maternity services. Therefore they may hold information regarding this and contact details for the Surrey County Council Freedom of Information Team are available: https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/your-council/your-privacy/freedom-of-information			
b) Diagnosis for both children and adults;	Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust provides diagnosis for Children and Adults – please see the following website link: https://www.fasdclinic.com/			



	Should you wish to contact their Freedom of Information Team, their details are available at Freedom of Information :: Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust		
c) Post-diagnostic care in the financial years beginning:			
• 2013	Surrey Heath CCG does not hold this information. Please contact Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (igteam@sabp.nhs.uk)		
• 2014	See above		
• 2015			
• 2016			
• 2017			



•	2018	See above
3.	Information on the number of Doctors in your Trust who currently provide diagnostic and/or post-diagnostic services for FASD? Please provide their names and posts. Whether your Trust employs specifically trained professionals, including but not limited to nurses, psychologists, occupational therapists and speech and language therapists, to provide specialised services for patients on the FASD spectrum? If so, in what specialties, and how many? Please provide their names and posts.	Surrey Heath CCG does not hold this information. Please contact Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust: (igteam@sabp.nhs.uk)
4.	Information on training provided to personnel in your Trust on FASD, or provided by others and accessed by your personnel.	Surrey Heath CCG does not hold this information. Please contact Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust: (igteam@sabp.nhs.uk)
5.	Information you hold on whether your Trust sends patients for FASD diagnosis to the National FASD Clinic in Surrey (https://www.fasdclinic.com/)? Did your refer any patients to the National FASD Clinic in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, and in 2018, and if so, how many in each year?	
•	2013	SH CCG does not hold this information. Please contact Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust: (igteam@sabp.nhs.uk)



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• 2016	See above	
• 2017		
• 2018		
6. What was your budget for services for FASD in each financial year since that starting in 2013 and including the current financial year?		
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• 2016	See above
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• 2018	
7. Please provide copies of any agreed plans you have to expand the budget or services in coming years.	There are no specific plans to expand services at the present time but we work with fellow commissioners and the providers to review services.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 15 August 2018