

Ref: CCG 55605



Liverpool

Clinical Commissioning Group

Corporate Services

NHS Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group

4th Floor, The Department

Lewis's Building

2 Renshaw Street

Liverpool

L1 2SA

Email: foi@liverpoolccg.nhs.uk

14 February 2019

Dear,

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 30 January 2019 with regards to NHS Wheelchair Services.

Request / Response:

1. Wheelchair service provider within the CCG

a. Is the provider an NHS organisation or a non-NHS organisation?

NHS Organisation

b. If it's a non-NHS organisation what is its name?

N/A

c. What is the name of the Wheelchair Service Manager?

Lynne Hatch

d. Please list all the wheelchair services covered in your CCG area.

NHS wheelchairs are provided by Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust

2. About Wheelchair service

a. How many registered wheelchair users are there in your CCG area as of January 2019?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- b. Of the current registered users, how many users currently have a powered wheelchair in your CCG area?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- c. How many registered users received powered wheelchairs in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- i. How many registered users were assessed for powered wheelchairs in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- d. Of the current registered users, how many powered wheelchairs received maintenance or repairs in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

3. About the Wheelchair services in your CCG

- a. What was the total budget for wheelchair services in your CCG area for the 2017/2018 financial year?

The budget for equipment service includes wheelchair services and we are unable to break it down in to separate components

- b. What was the budget for *powered* wheelchairs in your CCG for the 2017/2018 financial year, excluding maintenance?

The budget for equipment service includes wheelchair services and we are unable to break it down in to separate components

- c. How much money was spent on *powered* wheelchairs in your CCG in the 2017/2018 financial year, excluding maintenance? In 2016/2017?

The budget for equipment service includes wheelchair services and we are unable to break it down in to separate components

- d. What was your CCG's budget for maintenance and repairs on *powered* wheelchairs for the 2017/2018 financial year?

The budget for equipment service includes wheelchair services and we are unable to break it down in to separate components

- e. How much money was spent on maintenance and repairs of *powered* wheelchairs in your CCG in 2017/2018 financial year? In 2016/2017?

The budget for equipment service includes wheelchair services and we are unable to break it down in to separate components

- f. What kind of discount do your contracted suppliers give you on *powered* wheelchairs? On maintenance and repairs?

The budget for equipment service includes wheelchair services and we are unable to break it down in to separate components

4. About the Equipment provided by your wheelchair service

- a. What is the average cost of the powered wheelchairs your CCG area provided in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- b. What is the average cost of the maintaining the powered wheelchairs you provide per chair per year in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- c. Do your wheelchair services provide powered wheelchair vouchers?

- i. If so, what percentage of powered wheelchair users opted for a wheelchair voucher or took a personal wheelchair budget rather than an NHS wheelchair in 2017/2018?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- ii. What is the average voucher amount your wheelchair services gave towards powered wheelchairs in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- d. What is the average amount your wheelchair services allocated to maintenance and repairs on powered wheelchair vouchers in the 2017/2018 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- i. How was this amount formulated?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

5. About the Introduction of Personal Wheelchair Budgets

- a. Does your wheelchair service now provide personal wheelchair budgets (PWB)?

We believe so, yes. Please confirm with the provider at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- b. How will your service calculate the PWB amount for powered wheelchair users in the 2018/2019 financial year?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

- i. What will the average amount allocated to maintenance and repairs be for powered wheelchairs?

We do not hold this information. Please contact the provider directly at freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

www.ico.gov.uk

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

**Corporate Services
NHS Liverpool CCG**