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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which was received into this office on 02.02.2015.

You Asked for:

1. Who do you currently use to provide alcohol detoxification services? i.e. a Consultant lead out patient service, a local private provider, charity etc? What service did the CCG commission?
2. Has your provider changed since CCGs came into being? If yes, can you explain why?
2. Is the provider a registered charity?
3. Does your CCG fund inpatient alcohol detox programmes?
4. Does your CCG fund community alcohol detox programmes?
5. What is the target from initial referral to getting an initial assessment, and then target for referral to a place on a alcohol detox programme. Can you answer this for both inpatient and outpatient referrals if available separately.
6. How many patients are currently waiting for inpatient alcohol or outpatient alcohol detox programmes.
7. Can you break down the number of referrals per month since the CCG started, so how many people are being referred into alcohol services.
8. Can you break down the number of people per month since the CCG started, for have inpatient or outpatient detoxification - and separate the two numbers?
9. How many prescribing detoxification specialists work in the alcohol service the CCG commissions? Are these Substance misuses consultants or GPs with a special interest or prescribing nurses or other - can you separate the figures
10. How many patients have died whilst waiting for an inpatient detox or outpatient detox (since the CCG came into existence). Please give separate figures
11. How many patients have been admitted for an alcohol related injury whilst awaiting an inpatient or outpatient detox? If a patient has been admitted several times, can you also highlight this.
12. How is the service you commission working against its targets you set? Please give any results against between the CCG and commissioned service.
13. Do you have specialist separate help for alcoholic pregnant women? Have you set different targets with the provider, or is it all commissioned as part of the service. Please given details on any special targets you have made with the service provider.
14. What is the average wait from referral into the service to the outpatient or inpatient alcohol detoxification programme? Can you separate the results from inpatient to outpatient services.

15. What was the shortest wait and longest wait from referral into the service to outpatient or inpatient alcohol detoxification programme? Can you separate the results from inpatient to outpatient services.

Our Response:

Unfortunately NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group does not hold this information. I would advise for you to contact Public Health England direct on: FOI@phe.gov.uk .

I hope this sufficiently answers your FOI enquiry however if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact a member of the FOI team (contact details at the top of this letter).

Yours sincerely



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