

Our Ref: ID1305

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 the 10th January 2019.

You Asked for:

Under the FOI Act please can you answer the following for each of the CCGs in your area:

- 1) If Continuing Healthcare assessments are carried out by CCG employees or outsourced? If they are outsourced please can you tell me which company carries them out**

CCG employees.

- 2) What criteria the CCG, or outsourced company, uses to determine whether a person is eligible for CHC funding. Please provide any checklist or similar documents that are used to make the assessment**

Please see the attached documents.

- 3) How many retrospective CHC claims have been received by the CCG over the past 5 years and how many were successful in their application for funding**

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These figures include claims received during the closedown period.

Accurate decision data is not available due to different methods of recording the outcomes.

- 4) What criteria is used to make a decision on CHC claims that are retrospective. Please provide any checklist or similar documents used**

All available records/information during the requested period(s) are requested/obtained. A checklist is completed followed by a Needs Portrayal Document (NPD) if the checklist is

deemed positive. The NPD is then shared with the patient/family and comments are invited before a Decision Support Tool (DST) is completed along with a recommendation by the clinician. The recommendation is then reviewed by our ratification panel and a decision made.

We hope this information is useful, however if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Corporate Affairs Team (contact details at the top of this letter)

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