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## Re: Freedom of Information Request – Transforming Care

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received into this office on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

### You Asked for:

For each of the below, please answer the question in relation to children/adults from NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group's (CCG) area accessing services within the Transforming Care Partnership (TCP) area.

1. What proportion of children with a learning disability in your CCG area have access to an enhanced/intensive community support service within the TCP area (subject to meeting the access criteria for the service)? If no service exists, please state.
2. What proportion of children with a diagnosis of autism in your CCG area have access to an enhanced/intensive community support service within the TCP area (subject to meeting the access criteria for the service)? If no service exists please state
3. If yes to the above questions, please share the relevant service specifications (including access criteria)
4. For all children in your CCG area please state whether there is alternative short-term accommodation within the TCP area for children with a learning disability and or autism who are in crisis or potential crisis? (if the accommodation is not commissioned for either Learning Disability (LD) or autism, please make that clear)
5. If there is no alternative short-term accommodation within the TCP area, is the service commissioned by you or others outside of the TCP area?
6. If yes to the above on alternative short term accommodation, please share the relevant service specifications (including access criteria, and how many beds the accommodation is commissioned to have)
7. If yes to the above, on how many occasions have children who met the criteria for short term accommodation not been able to access it in the financial year 2018-19.

### Our Response:

1. Enhanced/intensive support service – Learning Disability (LD)  
As part of the wider Children and Young People (CYP) service provision, young people have access to specific LD Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) provision. Additionally, an enhanced/intensive support function is being piloted across Wirral for those young people known to CAMHS but who require further support and input to avoid a hospital admission or a residential placement. This function of the LD

CAMHS team is based on the Ealing model (Intensive Therapeutic and Short Breaks) This is due to be operational in December 2019. (Please see below regarding short breaks).

2. Enhanced/intensive support service – Autism

The above service will also support those young people with autism who are known to the wider CAMHS team.

3. Service specifications

This is a pilot for 12 months and the service specification will be developed during the project's period. However, the service is being developed in line with the model, principles and evaluation findings of the Ealing model.

4. Access to short breaks provision (crisis or potential crisis)

The short breaks provision is provided by the local authority and includes respite care for young people with moderate/severe LD. The Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) does not have access to the figures regarding the numbers of young people accessing this service.

5. Currently, proposals are being examined in relation to crisis/short breaks provision and facilities with the support of NHS England(NHSE).

6. Not applicable.

7. Please see the answer to question number 6.

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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