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Your Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about the steps NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board is taking to comply with the National Institute of Clinical Excellence's (NICE) Guideline NG6 on Excess winter deaths and illness and the health risks associated with cold homes. My question is:

1) What steps is your Integrated Care Board taking to meet Recommendation 7: Discharge vulnerable people from health or social care settings to a warm home.

Our Response:

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not have any specific procedures or policies in respect of Recommendation 7 of NICE Guidance NG6, Excess winter deaths and illness and the health risks associated with cold homes. NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB, as a commissioner of healthcare services, does however expect commissioned providers to ensure patients are discharged home to a safe environment and make referrals to appropriate support services where necessary.

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB is working in partnership to support our local NHS Trust discharge teams regarding discharge procedures in respect of the above recommendation. This includes work commissioning support to discharge teams to provide advice to patients who need practical advice and financial support.

You may wish to redirect your request for this information to our local NHS Trusts and Local Authorities, who would be directly responsible for discharging patients from health and social care settings, which are listed below along with their contact details for Freedom of Information requests:

Cheshire & Merseyside NHS Provider Trusts

- *Alder Hey Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust*
FOIRequests@alderhey.nhs.uk
- *Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust*
bchft.foi@nhs.net
- *Cheshire & Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust*
cwp.foi@nhs.net
- *Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust*
foi.enquiries@nhs.net

- *East Cheshire NHS Trust*
ecn-tr.foirequests@nhs.net
- *Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS Trust*
FOIRequests@lhch.nhs.uk
- *Liverpool University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust*
FOIRequests@liverpoolft.nhs.uk
- *Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation Trust*
FOI@lwh.nhs.uk
- *Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust*
FOI@merseycare.nhs.uk
- *Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust*
foi.foi@mcht.nhs.uk
- *Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust*
soh-tr.foi@nhs.net
- *St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust*
foirequests@sthk.nhs.uk
- *The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust*
ccf-tr.foi@nhs.net
- *The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust*
enquiries@thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk
- *Warrington & Halton Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust*
WHH.FOI@nhs.net
- *Wirral Community NHS Foundation Trust*
wcnt.foi@nhs.net
- *Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust*
wih-tr.AccessToInformationOffice@nhs.net

Cheshire & Merseyside Local Authorities

- *Cheshire East Council*
foi@cheshireeast.gov.uk
- *Chester and Cheshire West Council*
foi@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
- *Halton Borough Council*
hdl@halton.gov.uk
- *Knowsley Council*

foi@knowsley.gov.uk

- *Liverpool City Council*
informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk

- *Sefton Council*
ino.information@sefton.gov.uk

- *St Helens Borough Council*
www.sthelens.gov.uk/article/6525/Raise-a-Freedom-of-Information-request

- *Warrington Borough Council*
foi@warrington.gov.uk

- *Wirral Council*
ww3.wirral.gov.uk/crmservicerequests/scripts/ServiceRequestMain.asp

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