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Re: Freedom of Information Request – Supported living providers

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received into this office on 24th June 2020.

You Asked for:

1. Please note that the request excludes joint funding with the local authority, any other local authorities and any other Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG's). This is based on 100% funding from NHS Wirral CCG. Can you please provide the hourly rates the CCG paid supported living providers for supporting individuals with complex needs and diagnosis of Learning Disability and Autism for financial years:
 - a. 2017-2018
 - b. 2018-2019
 - c. 2019-2020
 - d. 2020-2021
2. Please note that the request excludes joint funding with the local authority, any other local authorities and any other CCGs. This is based on 100% funding from Wirral CCG. Can you please provide the Night rates (if different from question 1) the CCG paid supported living providers for supporting individuals with complex needs and diagnosis of Learning Disability and Autism for financial years:
 - a. 2017-2018
 - b. 2018-2019
 - c. 2019-2020
 - d. 2020-2021
3. Who is responsible for setting supported living rates, The CCG or the supported living providers? Can you please provide supporting documentation in the form of protocols, policies or any legal documentation?
4. Are all supported living providers paid the same hourly rate? If so, can you please state clearly what it is currently. If not, can you please explain the discrepancies and why there are different payments?

Our Response:

1. Unfortunately, hourly rates are not a reportable field in Broadcare, (the Continuing Health Care (CHC) computer system used) so NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is unable to provide this information. The cost for supported living for individuals

with Complex Care needs (Mental Health (MH) and Learning Disabilities (LD)) are not commissioned on hourly rates but based on an individual 'needs assessment'.

2. Please see the answer to question number 1.
3. For cases that are joint funded or solely Local Authority (LA) funded, these rates are agreed as part of an annual rates and fees engagement arrangement (usually undertaken in January), and signed off by LA cabinet and members as part of the annual budget plan. All decisions taken are a matter of public record and are available on the council website. I have included a link below should you like further information:
Wirral Borough Council - <https://www.wirral.gov.uk/about-council/budgets-and-spending/wirral-council-budget-2020-21>
4. Please see the table below for the existing fee rates from April 2020 as well as the enhanced fee rates.

Fee	Unit	2020-21 Approved Fee Rate	2020-21 Proposed COVID Fee Rate	Fee Increase from Approved 2020-21 Fee Rate	% Fee Increase from Approved 2020-21 Fee Rate
Supported Living - Day Time Rate	Hourly	£15.55	£16.76	£1.21	7.8%
Supported Living - Night Time Rate	Per night	£105.27	£113.58	£8.31	7.9%
Extra Care	Hourly	£13.60	£14.66	£1.06	7.8%
Residential Care (Long Term)	Weekly	£484.00	£506.00	£22.00	4.5%
Residential EMI (Long Term)	Weekly	£540.00	£566.00	£26.00	4.8%
Nursing Care (Long Term)	Weekly	£524.00	£549.00	£25.00	4.8%
Nursing EMI (Long Term)	Weekly	£542.00	£568.00	£26.00	4.8%
Domiciliary Care	Hourly	£16.31	£17.43	£1.12	6.9%
Direct Payments	Hourly	£12.70	£13.75	£1.05	8.3%
Reablement	Hourly	£16.31	£17.43	£1.12	6.9%
Mobile Nights (block)	Hourly	£16.90	£18.06	£1.16	6.9%
Residential Care (Short Term)	Weekly	£484.00	£506.00	£22.00	4.5%
Nursing Care (Short Term)	Weekly	£524.00	£549.00	£25.00	4.8%

The cost for supported living for individuals with Complex Care needs (MH and LD), however, are not commissioned on hourly rates but based on an individual 'needs assessment'. This varies from person to person and our main focus as an organisation is the promotion of 'Personalised / Person-centred Care' as guided by the Care Act, Five Year Forward View for MH and NHS Long term plans.

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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