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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request – Mobile Arm Supports**

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received into this office on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

### **You Asked for:**

1. Do you fund the assessment of Mobile Arm Supports?
2. If yes, do you then fund the provision of Mobile Arm Supports?
3. If yes, what is the eligibility criteria?
4. Have Personal Health Budgets (PHB's) been used towards the provision of Mobile Arm Supports?
5. If no, is funding sought privately or from a charitable grant?

### **Our Response:**

1. Yes.
2. The only form of arm support that is not commissioned within the current contract is Lycra Dynamic splinting for people with Cerebral Palsy. An Individual Funding Request would need to be completed for this type of mobile arm support to prove clinical exceptionality.
3. An assessment would be completed to see if appliance is required. Patients must be registered with a Wirral GP in order to be assessed.
4. We are not aware that any Mobile Arm Supports have been purchased with a Personal Health Budget (PHB) via the Orthotics Service which is commissioned to provide Mobile Arm Supports.
5. We are not aware of any personally purchased devices, nor from a charitable grant.

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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