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Re: Freedom of Information Request - Personal Health Budgets

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was originally received into this office on the 20th September 2021 and revisited on the 1st November 2021.

You Asked for:

I require the following information under the FOI Act. This I needed so I can judge whether the work being placed on citizen holders of Personal Health Budgets (PHB's) is fair and just. I have seen an email to a Personal Health Budget holder that states there has been a spike in fraud referrals in 2020/2021 so the data must be available for them to have stated this.

For each year the information is available:

1. State year - state whether calendar or financial and if financial, what month it starts.
2. Start number of Personal Health Budgets active by the end of the year.
3. Start value of Personal Health Budgets active by the end of the year.
4. Start number of Personal Health Budgets identified as having any fraudulent activity by the end of the year.
5. Start value of Personal Health Budgets identified as any fraudulent activity by the end of the year.
6. Start number of Personal Health Budgets identified as having fraud referrals by the end of the year.
7. Start value of Personal Health Budgets identified as having fraud referrals by the end of the year.
8. Give the method of delivery of the Personal Health Budget
 - a. Notional Budget
 - b. Third Party Budget
 - c. Direct Payment
9. Give the type of Personal Health Budgets (healthcare, wheelchair, end of life, mental health etc).

By START VALUE I mean the financial total of the PHB's allocated to service users at the end of your financial year. By way of example, if you had just two PHB active at year end, one of £3,000 per year and one of £200,000 per year, then I would expect a total of £203,000

Our Response:

1. Please see the attached form.
2. Please see the attached form.
3. Please see the attached form.
4. 1 in 2020/2021.
5. £8948.74 per week in 2020/2021.
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7. £8948.74 per week in 2020/2021.
8. Please see the attached form for information regarding all Personal Health Budgets (PHB's).
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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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