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Dear

Re: Request for information under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received on Monday 18 September 2017

The CCG is confirming in accordance with Section - (1) (a) of the Act, it holds the information requested and (b) is supplying it unless otherwise specified.

I can confirm that NHS Northern, Eastern and Western Devon CCG holds part of the requested information.

You requested the following information.

- **How much did you spend per annum in 2016/17 on commissioning rehabilitation services for**
 - **Stroke**
 - **Acquired Brain Injury (Incl. Traumatic Brain Injury - TBI)**

Rehabilitation covers a broad description of care. Every patient who survives a Stroke who is treated in a hospital with stroke/Acquired Brain Injury will receive some form of rehabilitation as part of their treatment; some receive a greater level of rehabilitation in a stroke unit within an acute hospital, or a Stroke Rehabilitation Unit in either an Acute or Community hospital setting. Some patients (approximately 40%) continue to require rehabilitation of differing intensities at home or care home.

Stroke services are commissioned from our three main acute trusts:

- Northern Devon Healthcare Trust (NDHT)

- Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust (PHNT)
- Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (RDEFT)

We have block contract arrangements with these providers based on predicted activity levels and tariff. The national tariff payment system groups all activity within a patient's hospital spell into one healthcare resource group. These are predominantly related to the main treatment of the condition and not the subsequent rehabilitation. Therefore, whilst the CCG spent resources on these conditions it is not possible to differentiate between the diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation aspects of the spell.

Within the stroke services specification commissioned from our acute trusts, rehabilitation is included for NDHT and RDEFT; the spend associated with these spells are under national tariff and therefore cannot be identified for the reasons set out above. For the Western population, this is commissioned from Livewell South West.

For 2016/17 NEW Devon CCG had block contract agreements with the Livewell South West to provide rehabilitation services under a larger contract covering multiple services and therefore the spend on rehabilitation cannot be identified on its own. The Stroke association support the rehabilitation services we commission by providing support services in the community, post-acute discharge.

Unfortunately we are unable to breakdown costs relating to the type of care provided by the supplier Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust (BIRT) however the total 16/17 spend with this provider was £200,052.86.

- **How many providers did you commission in 2016/2017 to provide rehabilitation services for**
 - **Stroke**
 - **Acquired Brain Injury (Incl. TBI)**

Please see the response above which lists the providers we commission for these services.

In line with section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act, to offer advice and assistance, you may be interested to view stroke information published by the Royal College of Physicians; Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme: <https://www.strokeaudit.org/results/Clinical-audit/Clinical-CCG-LHB-LCG.aspx>

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- **How many people did you commission rehabilitation services for in 2016/2017, who experienced**
 - **Stroke**
 - **Acquired Brain Injury (Incl. TBI)**

It is not possible to determine this number; the CCG does not hold this information.

Satisfaction

I trust this matter has been dealt with to your satisfaction but if there is anything which you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the office on 01392 205205 or by email at d-ccg.foi@nhs.net Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you can write to the office and arrangements will be made for an independent review. You of course can write directly to the CCGs Chief Officer if you prefer using the “contact us” details displayed on the CCG website.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the appeal, you have the right to appeal again to the Information Commissioner at:
Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
Fax: 01625 524 510

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Yours sincerely,

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