

**Ref: CCG February 2016 024**

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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 29 February 2016, with regards to Cerebral Palsy

Request/**Response**

Please provide us with the following information:

1. A copy of your care pathway for children and young people with cerebral palsy.

***NHS Liverpool CCG does not have a care pathway for children and young people with Cerebral Palsy.***

2. A copy of your service framework for children and young people with cerebral palsy.

***NHS Liverpool CCG does not have a specific service framework for children and young people with Cerebral Palsy; it is part of a larger framework.***

3. Whether your CCG commissions the following services for children and young people with cerebral palsy:

- a. Paediatric speech and language therapy

**Yes**

- b. Paediatric physiotherapy

**Yes**

- c. Paediatric occupational therapy

**Yes**

- d. Conductive Education

**No**

If so:

- i. What is the annual cost of these commissioned services to the CCG?

***NHS Liverpool CCG cannot provide this information as it is not broken down into this level of detail; it is part of block contract agreements.***

- ii. Are they provided in an integrated manner (under one roof)?

**No**

4. Whether NHS Liverpool CCG commissions/funds any other programmes or initiatives by independent or third sector providers to improve outcomes for children and young people with cerebral palsy.

**No**

5. An overview of training and advice provided by NHS Liverpool CCG, as part its co-commissioning duties, for GPs and other health professionals on identifying and referring children with cerebral palsy.

***NHS Liverpool CCG does not provide any specific training and advice to other Healthcare Professionals.***

6. Whether there is a specific timescale set out in your care pathway for referral for diagnosis of cerebral palsy, from the point of the formal identification of symptoms.

***NHS Liverpool CCG does not have a care pathway as answered in Question 1.***

7. What the estimated cost is to the CCG of medical and therapy costs for children and young people with cerebral palsy.

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8. The total number of children and young people diagnosed with cerebral palsy in your CCG population area within each of the last five years.

<b>2011-2012</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>2012-2013</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>2013-2014</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>2014-2015</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>2015-2016</b>	<b>51</b>

***Please note: the count is based on the primary care coding.***

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Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

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