

**Ref: CCG September 003 2016**

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15<sup>th</sup> September 2016,

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016, with regards to independent (private) hospitals.

**Request/Response**

For each of the financial years 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16 and to date in 2016/17

1. What NHS services at the CCG were delivered by independent (private) hospitals?
2. How many patients were treated on the NHS at independent (private) hospitals?
3. How much did the CCG spend on NHS treatments (ie, where patients were treated using NHS funding) that were provided at independent (private) hospitals?

**RESPONSE**

***Liverpool CCG are unable to provide you with the information you have requested prior to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 under section 1 (1)(a) of the FOI Act. This is because Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) does not hold the information you have requested as the CCG only became a statutory organisation from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013.***

***All enquiries relating to the historic corporate work of Primary Care Trusts, including FOI requests, should be directed to the Department of Health as the relevant Statutory Body.***

***Your request should be redirected to the Department of Health at the following address:***

**[Mb\\_legacy\\_records@dh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Mb_legacy_records@dh.gsi.gov.uk)**

1. What NHS services at the CCG were delivered by independent (private) hospitals?

**The majority of NHS services delivered by independent (private) hospitals relate to planned (elective) surgical specialties; the three main providers who deliver 99.9% of the private elective work (as per response to question three) all hold NHS contracts for this work.**

2. How many patients were treated on the NHS at independent (private) hospitals?

Independent (private) hospitals	2013/14 <i>Actual</i>	2014/15 <i>Actual</i>	2015/16 <i>Actual</i>	2016/17 <i>Forecast</i>
RAMSEY HOSPITALS	712	620	661	627
SPIRE HEALTHCARE LTD	40892	41914	41938	41109
FAIRFIELD HOSPITALS	363	547	769	690
OTHER	329	87	45	45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42,296</b>	<b>43,168</b>	<b>43,413</b>	<b>42,471</b>

**NB: this relates to the number of items paid for at a given provider not the number of patients; i.e. if the same patient has an outpatient attendance, followed by a diagnostic test, then an admission it would count as three.**

3. How much did the CCG spend on NHS treatments (i.e., where patients were treated using NHS funding) that were provided at independent (private) hospitals?

Independent (private) hospitals	2013/14 <i>Actual</i>	2014/15 <i>Actual</i>	2015/16 <i>Actual</i>	2016/17 <i>Forecast</i>
RAMSEY HOSPITALS	£ 97,910	£ 260,397	£ 204,962	£ 188,469
SPIRE HEALTHCARE LTD	£ 11,586,425	£ 12,325,744	£ 12,183,809	£ 11,991,548
FAIRFIELD HOSPITALS	£ 63,425	£ 78,101	£ 255,604	£ 219,972
OTHER	£ 9,905	£ 17,073	£ 16,391	£ 21,350
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 11,757,665</b>	<b>£ 12,681,315</b>	<b>£ 12,660,766</b>	<b>£ 12,421,339</b>

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The ICO can be contacted at:

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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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