

Ref: CCG 40767

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29th August 2017,

Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 29th August, with regards to Community Equipment Service.

Request/**Response**

1. What is the name of your service?

CEDAS - Community Equipment and Disability Aids Service.

2. Who is the lead authority for your service: local authority, NHS or joint?

NHS (S75 agreement re council being part of CCG contract)

3. What population size does the service cover?

Please see the link below for our Annual Report 2016/17. Section 1.3.1- Introduction.

<http://www.liverpoolccg.nhs.uk/media/2430/annual-report-and-accounts-2016-2017-final-14062017.pdf>

4. Please provide contact details for the lead commissioner of the service?

Alison Brook, 0151 247 6432, Alison.Brook@liverpoolccg.nhs.uk

5. How is the service currently provided: in-house/ tendered out/ other? (If other please give details. If tendered out, what date does the current contract/arrangement end?)

It is provided by Liverpool Community Health.

6. If in house are there any plans to test the market on the service?
7. If yes, when is it envisaged that this will happen: within 12 months, within 2 years, within 3 years, over 3 years, around 5 years, or not sure.

In regards to question 6 and 7, we are unable to provide you with the information you have requested 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.

8. Does the Community Equipment Service also include any provision of the following (please indicate):
 - a) Telecare- **There is no separate service.**
 - b) Community Alarms – **Not under falls service.**
 - c) Telehealth- **N/A**
 - d) Wheelchairs-**Yes**
 - e) Tissue viability/Pressure Care- **No separate service**
 - f) Specialist seating- **Yes**
 - g) Minor adaptations- **Some limited minor adaptations.**
 - h) Communication aids- **No, this now falls under the SALT Team.**
 - i) Manual handling- **Yes.**
 - j) Other specialist equipment –**Yes, Specialist Nurse Service. The Specialist Nurse and Manual handling team are now merging to form an Equipment Service (Manual handling, specialist equipment nurse advice and training, and specialist seating).**

9. Are there any further plans to join/merge other related equipment services such as those mentioned above in your area?

There are no further plans to join/merge other related equipment services at present.

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The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

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,

**Customer Relations Lead
NHS Liverpool CCG**