

**Ref: CCG 40625**

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30<sup>th</sup> August 2017,

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 22<sup>nd</sup> August, with regards to packages of care for patients who are eligible for CHC funded care.

Request/**Response**

1. Does the CCG have an approved policy which defines a threshold of funding packages of care for patients eligible for CHC funded care?

**Liverpool CCG does not have a specific policy in relation to defining a threshold for funding CHC packages of care. However, Liverpool CCG has agreed rates for domiciliary care and care homes placements. In addition, costs for bespoke complex packages of care are considered on an individual basis based on identified care needs.**

2. If yes, what is the current threshold of funding packages of care for patients who are eligible for CHC funded care?

**For CHC patients, Liverpool CCG has agreed current domiciliary care rates for non-complex care at £13.62 per hour and complex care at £17.01 per hour.**

**For CHC patients, Liverpool CCG adheres to the costs within the North West Framework for Care homes 2017/18.**

3. Does the CCG have a panel/meeting that considers the funding requests for CHC packages of care?

**Liverpool CCG does not have a specific panel/ meeting that consider funding requests for CHC care packages due to each CHC care package is considered**

**on an individual basis within agreed care rates. MLCSU has delegated responsibility to approve funding for CHC packages of care within an accountability framework on behalf of Liverpool CCG.**

**The care packages costs that are above the accountability framework agreement are escalated to the CCG directly for approval.**

4. If yes, how does the panel determine if someone should be supported in receiving funding in excess of the agreed threshold and how is that authorised?

**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.**

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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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