

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/22/060 Fast Track CHC

Information Requested:

- 1. How many individuals were granted NHS Continuing Healthcare funding via the Fast-Track Pathway in the following financial years?
 - a) 2018-19 638
 - b) 2019-20 643
 - c) 2020-21 723
- 2. How many individuals initially granted NHS Continuing Healthcare funding via the Fast-Track Pathway had a Decision Support Tool (DST) assessment in the following financial years:
 - a) 2018-19
 - b) 2019-20
 - c) 2020-21

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.

However, under our Section 16 obligation to provide advice and assistance, I can inform you of the figures for individuals that are no longer eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding (requested in the remaining questions).

- 3. How many of the individuals outlined in answer 2a were found by the DST assessment to be:
 - i) Eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding
 - ii) No longer eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding -1
 - iii) Other (please detail where possible)







- 4. How many of the individuals outlined in answer 2b were found by the DST assessment to be:
 - i) Eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding
 - ii) No longer eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding -0
 - iii) Other (please detail where possible)
- 5. How many of the individuals outlined in answer 2c were found by the DST assessment to be:
 - i) Eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding
 - ii) No longer eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding -6
 - iii) Other (please detail where possible)



