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Dear Mr Earl

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding NHS continuing healthcare packages within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

1) How many new NHS Continuing healthcare packages did you put in place between January 2017 and January 2018?

[369](#)

2) How many continued care packages did you terminate during this period - can you give the most common reasons for this?

[315 - The most common reason is the person is no longer eligible for CHC or patient has passed away.](#)

3) How many NHS Continuing healthcare packages did you put in place during January 2012 and January 2013?

[NHS South Sefton CCG became a statutory body on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013, therefore the CCG does not hold information prior to this date.](#)

4) How many of these were terminated?

[Not Applicable](#)

5) Can you give the most common reasons for this?

[Not Applicable](#)

6) Do you employ continuing healthcare assessors to assess whether those with NHS Continuing healthcare packages still warrant such help ?

NHS South Sefton CCG does not employ continuing healthcare assessors, but commission CHC assessments from the organisations listed below:

- Lancashire Care Foundation Trust
- Merseycare NHS Foundation Trust
- Midland and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit.

7) Did you employ continuing healthcare assessors to assess whether those with NHS Continuing healthcare packages still warranted such help in 2012 ?

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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.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review process is available, which will be managed by a FOI Appeals Officer.

This can be formally requested and must be done within a reasonable period of time (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

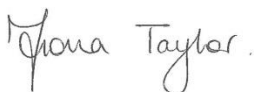
Where you are not satisfied with the response to a request for information that falls within the Environmental Information Regulations you should make a representation for a review to FOI Appeals Officer, southseftonccg.foi@nhs.net within 40 days of receipt of the response.

If you are not satisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at;

ICO, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Should you need any further clarification or assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely,



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