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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding S117 Mental Health Act within NHS South Sefton CCG.

## Request/Response:

1. How many requests for S117 funding did your organisation receive in the three financial years – 2016/2017, 2017/2018, and 2018/2019 to date;

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2016/17 - 8
2017/18 - 16
2018/19 - 29
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- 2. How many in each year were
  - a) approved in line with the financial cost submitted?

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2016/17 - 8
2017/18 - 14
2018/19 - 26
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b) approved for a different level of financial cost? .

N/A

c) not approved or the requests were not pursued further in the absence of additional information requested to consider the request?

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2016/17 - 0
2017/18 - 2
2018/19 - 3
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- 3. What local arrangements do your CCG have in place with relevant Local Authorities for agreeing the joint funding of costs relating to appropriate and agreed after care costs due under S117 Mental Health Act?
  - NHS South Sefton CCG does not have an agreed matrix for funding splits between health and social care. If no agreement is reached the dispute process is followed.
- 4. How are the financial contributions of the respective organisations determined? Are respective contributions determined on an individual service user basis or are they determined in accordance with a general agreement on respective funding shares?
  - NHS South Sefton CCG does not have an agreed matrix for funding splits between health and social care. If no agreement is reached the dispute process is followed.
- 5. If funding is determined with reference to a general agreement on financial shares, what proportion is paid by the CCG and what proportion is paid by the Local Authority?

50/50

- 6. If funding is determined on a case by case basis by what process are the respective shares determined?
  - NHS South Sefton CCG does not have an agreed matrix for funding splits between health and social care. If no agreement is reached the dispute process is followed.
- 7. If the respective shares have been agreed on a general basis, by what process were the respective shares determined and what factors were taken into consideration?
  - NHS South Sefton CCG does not have an agreed matrix for funding splits between health and social care. If no agreement is reached the dispute process is followed.
- 8. Can you please forward copies of any Local Agreement or Policy which outlines the process and respective shares?
  - NHS South Sefton CCG does not have an agreed matrix for funding splits between health and social care.
- 9. If there is a local agreement in place, when is this next due for review;

As per question 3



10. What processes do you have in place for reviewing the ongoing appropriateness and need for ongoing S117 after care funding?

3 month and yearly reviews for cases over £500pw, Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust are responsible for reviewing cases under £500pw.

Cases with additional 1:1 are reviewed on a more regular basis and as and when required.

11. How many S117 payments have ceased during the three financial years – 206/2017, 2017/2018, and 2018/2019 to date?

2016/17 - 0 2017/18 - 4 2018/19 - 6

12. How many of these, in each of the three years, were due to the service user no longer being deemed eligible or needing after care support.

2016/17 - 0 2017/18 - 3 2018/19 - 4