

Our Ref: 66951

28 April 2020

southseftonccg.foi@nhs.net

NHS South Sefton CCG

Merton House
Stanley Road
Bootle
Merseyside
L20 3DL

Tel: 0151 317 8456

Email: southsefton.ccg@nhs.net

Re: Freedom of Information Request

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

Request/[Response](#):

Freedom of Information Request in respect of S117 (Mental Health Act) Aftercare and the process for agreeing funding of associated costs between your CCG and the relevant individual patient's Local Authority.

[Please see attached appendix 1](#)

Appendix 1

Please identify the correct person within your CCG who is responsible for information regarding Section 117 aftercare - this may be the S117 commissioner / Commissioning Support Unit / Continuing Health Care commissioners		Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit - Paul Whittle and Debbie Wardleworth NHS South Sefton CCG - Brendan Prescott and Tracey Forshaw	
S117 places an enforceable duty on both Health (Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)) and Social (Local Authority/Council (LA)) Services to provide aftercare services to individuals on discharge from hospital. This request is to better understand how CCGs meet this duty.			
	Please indicate which	Comments	
For each of the following questions, If the answers are different or you have different policies for different groups (e.g. Older Peoples Mental Health, Learning Disability etc) please provide a response for each			
Please provide a copy of your policy, framework, protocol, or process map for the funding of S117 aftercare?	Y / N	Currently in process of being developed	
Do you apply a generic split (or pooled budget) for S117 aftercare costs? e.g. a 50:50 or other specific split of costs between LA & CCG? If YES please specify the respective shares?	Y / N circle one Split Pooled budget	No - reviewed on a case by case basis	
If the share of costs between the CCG and LA are, instead, agreed on a case by case basis, please provide a copy of the criteria / tools used to achieve this		No tool currently in use - this is being reviewed by NHS South Sefton CCG and Local Authority on whether a matrix would be useful	
Where funding shares are agreed on a case by case, how often are these shares applicable in individual cases reviewed?		All caseload currently	
Does the total cost identified for joint funding under S117 aftercare arrangements include the costs of universal health service provision (e.g. GP & primary care services, , community nursing and costs of medications etc.)? If so please advise what is specifically included or excluded.	Y / N	No - any costs agreed are over and above what core services are expected to provide	
When S117 aftercare requires placement in a Nursing Home, with support from a Registered Nurse for their mental health needs, is the CCG share of costs based on a total cost which includes FNC contribution or is FNC excluded from the total cost before that cost is apportioned?		Based on total cost	