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Re: Freedom of Information Request

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

Request/[Response](#):

1. Does the CCG commission Community Health Services via a block contract?

[Yes](#)

If the answer to question 1 is no, briefly describe the commissioning approach.

[N/A](#)

2. Does the CCG's Community Health Service contract specifically include the provision of care for ambulatory sensitive conditions which are designed to prevent emergency admission to hospital?

[Yes](#)

3. Is the prevention of admission to hospital with one or more ambulatory sensitive condition a specific component of the current contract for district nursing services?

[Yes](#)

4. Other than an inflationary uplift, has the Community Health Services contract increased, decreased, or remained the same during the 2019/20 and 2020/21 financial years?

[Remained the same.](#)

5. Has the CCG commissioned services in the last two years (2019/20 and 2020/21) that are specifically designed to prevent admission to hospital for patients with ambulatory sensitive conditions?

Yes, Covid-19 Oximetry Programme which includes Covid-19 Virtual Ward and Covid-19 Oximetry at home.

6. If the answer to question 5 was yes – were these services to develop:
- Acute Visiting Scheme: Out of hours for Primary Care
 - Commissioned additional capacity in clinical assessment service capacity: To support secondary care to redirect away from Emergency Department
 - NHS 111: To support secondary care to redirect away from ED