

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**  
**September 2020**

**FOI NO:      FOI 049**
**Date Received:      9 September 2020**
**Request :**

I am interested in the number of incidents per month where patients died, after they were referred for non-emergency consultant-led elective treatment but had yet to start treatment. i.e. While the patient was on an 'incomplete pathway' following a referral for consultant-led elective treatment.

According to the [2018/19 Annual Report for RTT waiting time statistics for consultant-led elective care](#), there are a number of activities that end the Referral To Treatment (RTT) pathway. One of these is if the 'patient died before treatment'. [See page 4 and page 26].

I have already asked NHS England for these data on a monthly basis at a national level but have been told they do not collate them.

However, I was told by the NHS England press office that commissioner and provider organisations do record when a patient dies while on an incomplete pathway, which makes sense if the statistics are to be accurate.

For background, every month commissioners and providers pass NHS England data on incomplete RTT pathway statistics – see here: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/rtt-waiting-times/rtt-data-2020-21/>

These give figures for the 'Total number of incomplete pathways' for each CCG, broken down by 'Treatment Function' (e.g. Urology, Trauma & Orthopaedics etc), as well as a 'Total' for each CCG. For example, at NHS Bury CCG the Total number of incomplete pathways outstanding in June 2020 was 15,348.

Please can you tell me:

The total number of occasions per calendar month when a patient died while on an incomplete RTT (Referral to Treatment) pathway, for each month from January 2018 to the latest available month (July or August 2020).

**Response :**

**NHS Bury CCG does not hold data on RTT clock stops that would allow us to identify the required cohort of patients. You will need to approach NHS provider trusts for this information.**

<b>FOI NO:</b> FOI 050	<b>Date Received:</b> 10 September 2020
<b>Request :</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can you provide details of your current financial ledger system supplier: examples such as "Oracle", "One Advanced" or "Integra"?</li> <li>2. Can you provide details if your current financial ledger system also delivers procurement services?</li> <li>3. Can you provide details of the current renewal/end date of this contract?</li> <li>4. Who is the main point of contact for this contract and their title and contact details?</li> <li>5. Which board member has responsibility for the finance department and their title and contact details?</li> </ol>	
<b>Response :</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can you provide details of your current financial ledger system supplier: examples such as "Oracle", "One Advanced" or "Integra"? <b>Oracle mandated by NHS England.</b></li> <li>2. Can you provide details if your current financial ledger system also delivers procurement services? <b>Yes procurement module is included.</b></li> <li>3. Can you provide details of the current renewal/end date of this contract? <b>The contract terms are managed by NHS England nationally.</b></li> <li>4. Who is the main point of contact for this contract and their title and contact details? <b>Not available – the requestor should contact NHS England.</b></li> <li>5. Which board member has responsibility for the finance department and their title and contact details? <b>Mike Woodhead, Joint Chief Finance Officer Bury Council and Bury CCG, Town Hall, Bury.</b></li> </ol>	

<b>FOI NO:</b> FOI 051	<b>Date Received:</b> 14 September 2020
<b>Request :</b>	
<b>Re: COVID-19 and patient eligibility for assisted conception services</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any information regarding NHS Bury CCG's approach to patient eligibility for assisted conception services, in cases where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Under normal circumstances, there exists an upper age limit for access to assisted conception services</li> <li>AND</li> <li>○ Delays related to the COVID-19 pandemic have resulted in (or may result in) patients exceeding that limit.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Response :</b>	
<b>Please refer to the CCG policy below on Assisted Conception, which remains in situ. Any unique circumstance that may arise from the COVID-19 pandemic could be considered by</b>	

**the CCG Individual Funding Request (IFR) Panel.**



BURY Assisted  
Conception Policy.pc

<b>FOI NO:</b> <b>FOI 052</b>	<b>Date Received:</b> <b>16 September 2020</b>
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**Request :**

Could you please provide me with the details of any prescribing rebate schemes and QIPP/efficiency saving prescribing schemes active within your CCG for the current financial year 2020-21?

1. Current Primary Care Prescribing Rebate Schemes (19/20)  
(Please distinguish which rebates are aligned to Prescqipp and which are independent)

Name of Scheme	Drug(s) covered	Aligned to Prescqipp	Independent of Prescqipp

2. Which current QIPP

Prescribing Schemes 20/21

Name of Scheme	Drug(s) covered

3. What is the current years (20/21) CCG QIPP/efficiency savings plan target for your organisation?

4. What is the value of the prescribing element for the current year (21/22) CCG QIPP/efficiency savings plan target for your organisation?

5. Does your CCG (or any of its constituent members) use the GP prescribing decision support software known as "DXS" (As can be found here: <http://www.dxs-systems.co.uk/>)? Y/N

**Response:**

1. Current Primary Care Prescribing Rebate Schemes (19/20)  
(Please distinguish which rebates are aligned to Prescqipp and which are independent)

Name of Scheme	Drug(s) covered	Aligned to Prescqipp	Independent of

			PrescqiPP
RS015	Spiolto inhaler tiotropium/olodaterol	No	Yes
RS013	Prostap leuprorelin	No	Yes

2. Which current QIPP Prescribing Schemes

20/21

**N/A see below**

3. What is the current years (20/21) CCG QIPP/efficiency savings plan target for your organisation?

**At the time this response was completed all QIPP savings and targets have been suspended**

4. What is the value of the prescribing element for the current year (21/22) CCG QIPP/efficiency savings plan target for your organisation?

**N/A see above**

5. Does your CCG (or any of its constituent members) use the GP prescribing decision support software known as "DXS" (As can be found here: <http://www.dxs-systems.co.uk/>)? Y/N

**No**

<b>FOI NO: FOI 053</b>	<b>Date Received: 16 September 2020</b>
<p><b>Request :</b></p> <p>Please could I place a freedom of information request regarding the IVF services at your CCG. If you could inform me on the IVF services in relation to the questions below, it would be greatly appreciated.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does your CCG currently offer IVF/Assisted Conception for any of the following; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Heterosexual Couples</li> <li>b. Same Sex Couples</li> <li>c. Single Women</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. What is the required length of subfertility for the following (if applicable); <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Heterosexual Couples</li> <li>b. Same Sex Couples</li> <li>c. Single Women</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Providing individuals/couples meet the required eligibility criteria, how many cycles, what type of cycle and/or treatment is available to the following; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Heterosexual Couples</li> <li>b. Same Sex Couples</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	

- c. Single Women
4. Can individuals/couples have had any prior IVF treatment? (NHS or Privately funded) If so, what is permitted?
  5. What is the required age range for individuals wishing to access fertility treatment?
  6. What are the necessary health requirements/criteria for individuals wishing to access fertility treatment?
  7. Can individuals wishing to access fertility treatment have existing children?
  7. What is the eligibility criteria for the partners of individuals wishing to undergo treatment?
  8. Is there any additional eligibility criteria that individuals should be aware of if wishing to access treatment?

**Response :**

Please find below the CCG's Assisted Conception Policy, this is also available on the CCG website.



BURY Assisted  
Conception Policy.pdf

<b>FOI NO:</b> <b>FOI 054</b>	<b>Date Received:</b> <b>17 September 2020</b>
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**Request :**

This is a freedom of information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide the following information you have pertaining to care provision for adults with physical and mental disabilities (ages 18-64) within your CCG:

**Definitions:**

**Acute:** Care requirements are considered short-term / episodic. Less than 6 months care expected.

**Rehabilitative:** Intention of care is to rehabilitate service user to leave in-patient care setting. 6-18 months care expected.

**Enduring (chronic):** Long-term in-patient care necessary. 18 months+ care expected.

**Information request #1:**

1. The total number of adults (ages 18-64) with mental, physical or learning disabilities, receiving care, where your CCG is the primary funder, as of 31 March 2020, by care requirement (*please fill in the table below*).

**Please note:** where categorisations for care requirements do not fit your own definitions, please merge / adapt where necessary. **If no categorisation is available, please provide totals (right hand column) – thank you.**

	Number of funded patients by care requirement (ages 18-64)			
	Acute	Rehabilitative	Chronic (enduring / long-term)	Total
A. Mental disability				
B. Physical disability				
C. Learning disability				
D. Other				

2. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2018.
3. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2016.

**Note:** Point 1 is our highest priority – please return your response to 1 as soon as they are ready. If points 2 and 3 result in a greater administrative burden or cost of research, then we are happy for you to respond with them at a later date (or at later dates for points 2 and 3 separately).

**Information request #2:**

4. The total number of adults (ages 18-64), with A) neuro-degenerative disease (excluding dementia), B) acquired brain injury + spinal cord injury (please separate if possible), C) mental health, receiving care, where your CCG is the primary funder, as of 31 March 2020, by primary condition and severity of condition (*please fill in the table below*).
  - 4.1. The total number of adults (both ages 18-64, and 65+ years old), with early onset / complex dementia, receiving care, where your CCG is the primary funder, as of 31 March 2020, by primary condition and severity of condition (*please fill in the table below*).

**Please note:** where categorisations for care requirements do not fit your own definitions, please merge / adapt where necessary. **If no categorisation is available, please provide totals (right hand column) – thank you.**

**Definitions:**

**Neuro-degenerative disease:** conditions such as Huntington’s, Parkinson’s, multiple sclerosis, motor neurone disease etc. Please exclude dementia.

Number of funded patients by primary condition and care requirement (ages 18-64)			
Acute	Rehabilitative	Chronic (enduring / long-term)	Total

<b>A. Neuro-degenerative disease (excluding dementia)</b>				
<b>B. Acquired brain injury (ABI) + spinal cord injury (separately if possible)</b>				
<b>C. Mental health</b>				
<b>D. Early on-set / complex dementia (18-64 years old)</b>				
<b>E. Early on-set / complex dementia (65+ years old)</b>				

5. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2018.

6. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2016.

**Response :**

**The CCG do not collate this level of information.**

<b>FOI NO: FOI 055</b>	<b>Date Received: 21 September 2020</b>
<b>Request :</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are you partnering with any other private or public sector organisations to deliver your Personal Health Budgets (PHBs)? If so, please provide the names of those organisations and a summary of the services they provide to the CCG</li> <li>Who is responsible for the delivery of the PHB targets and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?</li> <li>Who is responsible for the delivery of the Continuing Healthcare programme and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?</li> <li>Who is responsible for the digital transformation within the CCG and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?</li> <li>Who is the current Director of Finance within the CCG and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?</li> <li>How many people in your CCG have been awarded a Continuing Healthcare budget and how many of these have taken up a PHB?</li> <li>What is the total annual spend on PHBs for your CCG, and how that spend breaks down by Direct Payment, 3<sup>rd</sup> party managed and notional budgets?</li> <li>In the report published by NHS England (<a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/personal-health-budgets-mandatory-data-collection-guidance-and-data/">https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/personal-health-budgets-mandatory-data-collection-guidance-and-data/</a>) you have declared 69 PHBs in the "other" category, can you please provide a breakdown of what types of PHBs these are? E.g. Wheelchair</li> </ol>	

PHBs, end of life etc?

9. What software, if any, is used to manage PHBs in your CCG?
10. What is the total annual cost for this software and what licensing model is used, e.g. X% of budget/per user/fixed cost
11. When is the contract for the PHB software up for renewal?

**Response :**

1. Are you partnering with any other private or public sector organisations to deliver your Personal Health Budgets (PHBs)? If so, please provide the names of those organisations and a summary of the services they provide to the CCG

**None**

2. Who is responsible for the delivery of the PHB targets and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?

**Eve Moroney, [eve.moroney@nhs.net](mailto:eve.moroney@nhs.net), 0161 762 1643**

3. Who is responsible for the delivery of the Continuing Healthcare programme and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?

**Eve Moroney, [eve.moroney@nhs.net](mailto:eve.moroney@nhs.net), 0161 762 1643**

4. Who is responsible for the digital transformation within the CCG and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?

**Sandra Goulden, [sandra.goulden1@nhs.net](mailto:sandra.goulden1@nhs.net), 0782 409 7485**

5. Who is the current Director of Finance within the CCG and what are their contact details (name, email and phone number)?

**Mike Woodhead, [mike.woodhead@nhs.net](mailto:mike.woodhead@nhs.net), 0161 253 7659**

6. How many people in your CCG have been awarded a Continuing Healthcare budget and how many of these have taken up a PHB?

**418 open as of today 01/10/2020 including 33 PHBs (only fully funded eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare included).**

7. What is the total annual spend on PHBs for your CCG, and how that spend breaks down by **Direct Payment, 3<sup>rd</sup> party managed and notional budgets?**

**Annual spend on fully funded (CHC only) PHBs and breakdown**

**£1,729,534.20**

**£1,643,206.84 Direct Payments**

**£86,327.40 Notional**

8. In the report published by NHS England (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/personal-health-budgets-mandatory-data-collection-guidance-and-data/>) you have declared 69 PHBs in the "other" category, can you please provide a breakdown of what types of PHBs these are? E.g. Wheelchair PHBs, end of life etc?

**69 Wheelchair PHBs**

9. What software, if any, is used to manage PHBs in your CCG?

**No digitalised system is currently in place.**

10. What is the total annual cost for this software and what licensing model is used, e.g.

X% of budget/per user/fixed cost  
N/A

11. When is the contract for the PHB software up for renewal?  
N/A

FOI NO: FOI 056

Date Received: 21 September 2020

**Request :**

This is a freedom of information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide the following information you have pertaining to care provision for adults with physical and mental disabilities (ages 65+) within your CCG.

Our previous FOI request 'FOI request – complex care', dated 17/09/20 is our priority. If this additional request results in an administrative burden beyond what is deemed reasonable, please exclude this request.

**Definitions:**

**Acute:** Care requirements are considered short-term / episodic. Less than 6 months care expected.

**Rehabilitative:** Intention of care is to rehabilitate service user to leave in-patient care setting. 6-18 months care expected.

**Enduring (chronic):** Long-term in-patient care necessary. 18 months+ care expected.

**Information request #1:**

1. The total number of adults (ages 65+) with mental, physical or learning disabilities, receiving care, where your CCG is the primary funder, as of 31 March 2020, by care requirement (*please fill in the table below*).

**Please note:** where categorisations for care requirements do not fit your own definitions, please merge / adapt where necessary. **If no categorisation is available, please provide totals (right hand column) – thank you.**

	Number of funded patients by care requirement (ages 65+)			
	Acute	Rehabilitative	Chronic (enduring / long-term)	Total
A. Mental disability				
B. Physical disability				
C. Learning disability				
D. Other				

2. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2018.
3. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2016.

**Note:** Point 1 is our highest priority – please return your response to 1 as soon as they are ready. If points 2 and 3 result in a greater administrative burden or cost of research, then we are happy for you to respond with them at a later date (or at later dates for points 2 and 3 separately).

**Information request #2:**

4. The total number of adults (ages 65+), with A) neuro-degenerative disease (excluding dementia), B) acquired brain injury + spinal cord injury (please separate if possible), C) mental health, receiving care, where your CCG is the primary funder, as of 31 March 2020, by primary condition and severity of condition (*please fill in the table below*).

**Please note:** where categorisations for care requirements do not fit your own definitions, please merge / adapt where necessary. **If no categorisation is available, please provide totals (right hand column) – thank you.**

**Definitions:**

**Neuro-degenerative disease:** conditions such as Huntington’s, Parkinson’s, multiple sclerosis, motor neurone disease etc. Please exclude dementia.

	Number of funded patients by primary condition and care requirement (ages 65+)			
	Acute	Rehabilitative	Chronic (enduring / long-term)	Total
A. Neuro-degenerative disease (excluding dementia)				
B. Acquired brain injury (ABI) + spinal cord injury (separately if possible)				
C. Mental health				

5. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2018.
6. Please fill in the above table again, but with the corresponding information as of 31 Mar 2016.

**Response :**

The CCG do not collate this level of information.

**FOI NO: FOI 057**

**Date Received: 29 September 2020**

**Request :**

I would like to request the below information:

A list of pharmaceutical products/drugs that your CCG currently holds rebate agreements for.

I would like to request the product names (brand and generic when applicable) with start finish dates and fully understand that the financial details of the rebates would be considered commercially confidential.

**Response :**

Pharmaceutical products/drugs	Start date	Finish date
Spolto inhaler tiotropium/olodaterol	26/7/18	1/9/21
Prostap leuprorelin	1/4/18	1/4/20

**FOI NO: FOI 058**

**Date Received: 30 September 2020**

**Request :**

1) Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for learning disabilities placements?

*For questions 2 to 6, please supply this information as a snapshot at the end of the year for the financial years 2017/18 to 2018/19, and where possible, the most up to date snapshot available for 2019/20.*

2) Please provide the total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in residential care.

3) Of the total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in residential care (q.2) please provide the number that are in 'in area' placements and the number that are in 'out of area' placements.

4) Please provide the total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in supported living.

5) Please provide the number of adults with learning disabilities who transitioned from children's learning disabilities services into adult's services - in total, into adult residential care services only, and into adult supported living services only.

6) Please provide the number of adults with learning disabilities who 'stepped down' from specialist inpatient hospital placements into adult residential care and supported living services.

7) Please provide the CCG's total expenditure on residential care and supported living for adults with learning disabilities for each of the financial years 2017/18 to 2018/19, and where possible, budgeted expenditure for 2019/20. If expenditure for 2019/20 is not yet available, please provide projected expenditure.

8) Please provide the highest, lowest, and average weekly rate paid by the CCG for residential care placements for adults with a learning disability for each of the financial years 2017/18 to 2018/19. If the CCG has weekly rate bands, please also provide these.

9) Please provide the highest, lowest, and average hourly rate paid by the CCG for supported living placements for adults with a learning disability for each of the financial years 2017/18 to 2018/19. If the CCG has hourly rate bands, please also provide these.

**Response:**

1) Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for learning disabilities placements?

**Eve Moroney - Service Lead [eve.moroney@nhs.net](mailto:eve.moroney@nhs.net) 0161 762 1643**

*For questions 2 to 6, please supply this information as a snapshot at the end of the year for the financial years 2017/18 to 2018/19, and where possible, the most up to date snapshot available for 2019/20.*

2) Please provide the total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in residential care.

**Total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in all settings**

**2017/18 = 86**

**2018/19 = 85**

**2019/20 = 102**

3) Of the total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in residential care (q.2) please provide the number that are in 'in area' placements and the number that are in 'out of area' placements.

**Information not held/recorded**

4) Please provide the total number of adults with learning disabilities funded by the CCG in supported living.

**Information not held/recorded, please refer to total numbers as per answer 2**

5) Please provide the number of adults with learning disabilities who transitioned from children's learning disabilities services into adult's services - in total, into adult residential care services only, and into adult supported living services only.

**Information not held/recorded**

6) Please provide the number of adults with learning disabilities who 'stepped down' from specialist inpatient hospital placements into adult residential care and supported living services.

**Information not held/recorded**

7) Please provide the CCG's total expenditure on residential care and supported living for adults with learning disabilities for each of the financial years *2017/18 to 2018/19*, and where possible, budgeted expenditure for *2019/20*. If expenditure for *2019/20* is not yet available, please provide projected expenditure.

**2017/18 = £5,063,861.60**

**2018/19 = £8,768,575.40**

**2019/20 = £7,139,027.60**

8) Please provide the highest, lowest, and average weekly rate paid by the CCG for residential care placements for adults with a learning disability for each of the financial years *2017/18 to 2018/19*. If the CCG has weekly rate bands, please also provide these.

**2017/18 average £1,039.73 highest £5,043.45 lowest £144.00**

**2018/19 average £1,103.00 highest £5,075.00 lowest £92.44**

**2019/20 = average £1,221.18 highest £9,556.74 lowest £50.50**

9) Please provide the highest, lowest, and average hourly rate paid by the CCG for supported living placements for adults with a learning disability for each of the financial years *2017/18 to 2018/19*. If the CCG has hourly rate bands, please also provide these.

**Information not held/recorded**