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**Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**  
**Ref no: FOI-3861-LSC**

Thank you for your request dated 13 February 2024.

We can confirm that the ICB does hold the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

1. Your ICB recently posted figures to NHS Digital with regards to Personal Health Budgets for Quarter 1 (2023/24) related to Children's Continuing HealthCare (see attached ICB submission from [Personal Health Budgets - NHS Digital](#) website – TAB Q1 PHB DATA, columns N/O/P/Q for your ICB row.

Children's Continuing Health Care (CHC)			
Total	Direct Payments	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party	Notional
15	10	0	5

I would like to know what the total cost of these PHB packages i.e. total cost of CCHC for the figures submitted above, which includes the total cost for each area - Direct Payments, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party and Notional Budgets so that a calculation can be made of the average PHB package cost for each area (e.g. Direct Payments Total Cost / Direct Payments Total No.).

**The expected annual cost as of quarter 1 2023/24:**

**Direct Payments - £1,296,315**

**Notional - £330,853**

### **Right of Appeal**

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within 40 working days from the date this response was issued.

### **To request an internal review**

You can request this by contacting the FOI team by email at [MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net](mailto:MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net) or by post to Leyland House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TR, specifying why you require a review.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the CCGs FOI complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

**Sam Proffitt – Chief Finance Officer**

**On behalf of Kevin Lavery  
ICB Chief Executive**