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Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-3585-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 16 October 2023.

We can confirm that the ICB does not hold the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q1	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Section 1: Spending on private provision/ out of area placements:</p> <p>How many psychiatric beds did your ICB have to pay private hospitals or providers for in the past five calendar years? Could you please break this down by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 2019 to 2023• Type of bed contracted, e.g male, female, PICU, CAMHS
	<p>Our Response:</p> <p>The ICB does not hold this information. Please redirect to Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust:</p> <p>https://www.lscft.nhs.uk/about-us/publications-reports-policies/freedom-information</p>

Q2	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>How much did your ICB pay private hospitals for provision of psychiatric beds in the past five calendar years? Could you please break this down by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 2019 to 2023 <p>Our Response:</p> <p>As per question 1.</p>
Q3	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Section 2: Waiting Times:</p> <p>What was the average waiting time for a psychiatric bed across your ICB in each calendar year, from 2019 to 2023?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>As per question 1.</p>
Q4	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>How many patients waited more than 24 hours for a psychiatric bed across your ICB in each calendar year, from 2019 to 2023?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>As per question 1.</p>
Q5	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>How many patients waited more than 3 days for a psychiatric bed across your ICB in each calendar year, from 2019 to 2023?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>As per question 1.</p>
Q6	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>What is the longest period a patient has had to wait for a psychiatric bed across your ICB in 2023?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>As per question 1.</p>
Q7	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Section 3: Discharge Beds:</p> <p>How much has been spent by your ICB on discharging psychiatric patients to bed and breakfasts or hotels in each calendar year between 2019 and 2023?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>As per question 1.</p>

Q8	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>How many psychiatric patients have been discharged to bed and breakfasts or hotels by your ICB in each calendar year between 2019 and 2023?</p>
Q9	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>What is the longest period of time a psychiatric patient discharged from one of your wards has stayed at a bed and breakfast or hotel after they were discharged in 2022 or 2023?</p>

Our Response:

As per question 1.

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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 two calendar months 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 or by post to Jubilee 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

Yours sincerely

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