

Date: 16 December 2020
Our reference: N/20/3165

Dear Requestor

RE: Freedom of Information Request

With reference to your request for information I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information that you have requested. A response to each part of your request is below.

Please note, as of 1 April 2020 the following Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), NHS Mansfield & Ashfield CCG, NHS Newark & Sherwood CCG, NHS Nottingham City CCG, NHS Nottingham North & East CCG, NHS Nottingham West CCG and NHS Rushcliffe CCG, merged to become NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG. More information around the new NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG can be found on our website - <https://nottsccg.nhs.uk/about-us/our-ccg/>

In the request you asked:

How much money was spent with **private mental health care providers** by your CCG for patients who were referred for **inpatient or outpatient** services in the last four years (2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 so far)? Please break this down by:

a) year of payment

b) private provider who received payment and state how much was given

c) If possible, service provided (ie inpatient treatment/ eating disorder care). However, if this bit goes over the cost threshold then please ignore it.

Please note that the below table includes expenditure for all six predecessor CCGs which now form NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG. The years run from 1 April to 31 March.

Provider	17/18 £'000	18/19 £'000	19/20 £'000	01/04/20 to 30/11/20 £'000	Service
Cambian / Cygnet	1,682	1,063	1,072	718	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation
InMind Healthcare	116	6	0	0	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation
Lighthouse	121	0	0	0	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation
Partnerships in care / Priory Group	885	544	293	94	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation
St Andrews	387	202	93	0	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation
Elysium	0	219	123	311	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation
Total	3,192	2,035	1,581	1,123	

How many complaints has your trust received about the private providers you used in the last four years (2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 so far)? Please break this down by private provider (if possible) and say whether any of the complaints led to financial compensation for the patient, and if so how much was received. If further action was taken - such as cancellation of further contacts - please state this.

Please note that the below table includes the number of complaints received by all six predecessor CCGs which now form NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG.

2017	2018	2019	2020
<5	<5	<5	0

Where 'less than (<) 5' is used this is to ensure patient confidentiality. None of the complaints received led to financial compensation for the patient.

The CCG does hold the information however we are unable to provide the information as this could lead to the identification of the persons involved. This information is exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

As defined by the Data Protection Act, personal data constitutes as:

“Personal data” means any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual.

“Identifiable living individual” means a living individual who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to -

- (a) an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data or an online identifier, or
- (b) one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of the individual.

Personal information is subject to an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest. We have therefore concluded that the information is exempt from disclosure under 40(4A)(a)

What is the most amount of money given to a private mental health care provider for a single patient in the last four years? Please say who received the payment and what specific issue it was for (ie rehabilitation, eating disorder support)

The highest amount provided for a single patient in the last four years is provided in the table below. We have not provided the detail which provider received the payment to ensure patient confidentiality as per the exemption detailed above.

Amount £'000	Service
212	Mental Health Inpatient Rehabilitation

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group have an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Associate Director of Governance via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG, 1 Standard Court, Park Row, Nottingham, NG1 6GN.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner’s Office, who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act, and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group formerly known as NHS Mansfield and Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Newark and Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Rushcliffe Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham West Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham City Clinical Commissioning Group and



Nottingham North and East Clinical Commissioning Group. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to: FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern: <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer on behalf of *NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group* formerly known as *NHS Rushcliffe Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham West Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham City Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham North and East Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Mansfield and Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group and NHS Newark and Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group.*

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