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Dear Requestor

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your request for information, received on 4 December 2025, regarding early onset dementia and challenging behaviour. We have processed your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Under the FOIA, public authorities are required to respond to requests for information within 20 working days. In response to your request, we can confirm that we partially hold the information requested. Some information has been withheld where exemptions under the FOIA apply, as explained below.

**Please find below our response to your request:**

1. Please provide the highest and lowest hourly rate (or average weekly fee if more appropriate) the ICB pays to providers of residential services for adults with early on-set dementia.

The ICB does not record early onset dementia as a discrete diagnosis in its systems. To identify individuals with early onset dementia would require a manual review of all individuals currently placed in care homes.

There are 588 individuals in care home placements. If each record took approximately two minutes to review, this would require around 19.6 hours of staff time. This exceeds the appropriate cost limit of £450 (equivalent to 18 hours at £25 per hour). Therefore, this information is exempt under section 12(1) – cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.

2. Please provide the highest and lowest hourly rate (or average weekly fee if more appropriate) the ICB pays to providers of residential services for adults with dementia and challenging behaviour.

The ICB does not record 'challenging behaviour' as a diagnosis in its systems. Identifying individuals with both dementia and challenging behaviour would require a manual review of all 588 care home placements. This would exceed the cost limit and is therefore exempt under section 12(1).

However, for context, for individuals with dementia (including Alzheimer's Dementia and Vascular Dementia), the average weekly cost of a care home placement is £1,459.66.

3. Please provide the top 10 providers by spend that provide specialist dementia services, including early on-set dementia and challenging behaviour.

For dementia services (including Alzheimer's Dementia and Vascular Dementia), the top 10 providers by spend are:

1. Church Farm at Rusticus
2. Wren Hall Nursing Home
3. Boughton Manor Care Home
4. Ashcroft Care Home
5. Forest Hill – Memory Lane
6. Forest Care Centre
7. Meadowcroft
8. Church Farm at Skylarks
9. Church Farm Nursing Home
10. Jubilee Court Care Home

4. Please tell us the annual fee rate uplift implemented in 2024/25 for funded placements for adult with specialist dementia.

The ICB did not apply a specific uplift solely for specialist dementia placements. All contracted care homes received the same annual uplift in 2024/25, regardless of whether they provided specialist dementia services.

For non-contracted care homes, uplift requests were considered on an individual basis.

5. Provide the number of out of county placements for Nottinghamshire people with those types of conditions (challenging behaviour, early-onset dementia and by gender).

The number of out-of-county placements meeting these criteria is fewer than five. Providing further detail, including gender, could risk the identification of individuals. Therefore, this information is exempt under section 40(2) – personal data.

6. How many people are currently funded for specialist dementia services.

The ICB currently funds 121 individuals with dementia (including Alzheimer's Dementia and Vascular Dementia) in a care home placement.

7. Are there any cohorts of people you are struggling to place i.e. challenging behaviour, sectioned under the MHA, specialist dementia with dual diagnosis.

The ICB does not hold recorded information in response to this question. This request seeks an opinion or perception rather than recorded information. Therefore, the information is not held under section 1(1)(a) of the FOIA.

## Section 16 – Advice and Assistance

Under section 16 of the FOIA, we have a duty to provide advice and assistance where possible. If you wish, we can provide:

- The average cost of individuals currently placed in care homes;
- Range of fees for care home placements, without linking to specific diagnoses.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has 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, Director of Corporate Affairs via [lucy.branson@nhs.net](mailto:lucy.branson@nhs.net) or by writing to FOI Team at NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham NG5 6DA.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), 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 ICB. 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/>.

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

Yours sincerely

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