



3 August 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DECISION NOTICE

Dear Requester

FOI Reference Number: 18291

I refer to your email of clarified request of 10 July requesting information in respect of Continuing Health Care (CHC)

I can confirm on behalf of Great Yarmouth and Waveney, North Norfolk, South Norfolk, Norwich and West Norfolk CCGs and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do hold the information that you have requested. A response to each element of your request is detailed below:

Request received 2 July

1. Numbers eligible for CHC from April 2016 until April 2018
2. The number of assessments during this period
3. The number declinations during this period
4. The number of appeals during this period
5. % of successful appeals during this period
6. Expenditure on CHC during this period

Clarified request received 10 July

Q3 – we asked, declinations following a DST assessment or declinations in total from checklists received. To confirm we receive both negative checklists and positive checklists only positive checklists trigger a DST assessment.

You advised – both would be helpful please.

Response (please see caveats below)

Question	North	South	West	Norwich
1	128	125	196	99
2 (*A)	253	180	379	148
3 (*B)	192	196	123	57
4	40	18	22	21
5	2.5%	0%	0%	9.5%
6	£38,163,141.00	£34,198,148.00	£43,206,369.00	£28,247,149.00

Question	Great Yarmouth and Waveney CCG
1	104
2	728
3	1384
4	624
5	1387
6	£23,341,00.00

Caveats re North, South, West and Norwich

*All patients found newly eligible for Standard CHC during the period. This does not include Fast Track patients or cumulative totals of Standard CHC already eligible.

*1 -The CHC assessment process consists of two stages.

*A. Checklist stage - not all completed checklists are known to Norfolk Continuing Care Partnership (NCCP - working on behalf of the CCGs) and therefore unable to provide this information.

*B. DST Stage - The figures provided are a count of DST assessments for new cases during the period.

*2 -All newly referred patients deemed not eligible during the period.

*3 -These are the Standard CHC package costs for each of the CCGs. Staff costs are excluded as these were dealt with by NELCSU previous to the formation of NCCP

Caveats re GYW

re GYW (Great Yarmouth and Waveney CCG):

1 - Excludes those already found eligible on or before 31/3/2016

3 – Checklist = 763 DST = 621

4 - Data is not validated NELCSU was service provider

5 – as 4

6 - Excludes resource costs activity only and is based on Financial years only ie does not include April 2018 - data provided by finance team

I hope that this answers your queries with the information we currently hold, but if I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours faithfully

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On behalf of

**Great Yarmouth and Waveney,
North Norfolk, South Norfolk Norwich and West Norfolk CCGs**