



## Freedom of Information request & West Norfolk CCG response

### WN-2016-00275 – Cluster Headaches (Oxygen Therapy)

1. What is the annual cost for the CCG of providing oxygen therapy to patients with cluster headaches (Clinical code 18 on the NHS Home Oxygen Order Form (HOOF))
  - (a) as a total figure
  - (b) per patient

*Answers based on the latest 12 months of available data (March 2016 to Feb 2017)*

*The answer to part B is based on an average figure (Individual patient use is highly variable due to their condition presentation)*

CCG	Total Annual cost March 2016 to February 2017	Average cost per patient
NHS North Norfolk	£7,644.21	£382.21
NHS Norwich	£6,525.09	£296.60
NHS South Norfolk	£7,863.83	£280.85
NHS West Norfolk	£5,259.66	£250.46

2. What is the annual cost to the CCG (as a total figure) of providing:
  - (a) Equipment hire and the supply of cylinders and refills
  - (b) The provision of patient equipment training
  - (c) The provision of home risk assessments

*Answers based on the latest 12 months of available data (March 2016 to Feb 2017)*

CCG	Equipment Hire & Refills	Installation & Training	Risk Assessments*
NHS North Norfolk	£6,762.92	£366.64	£514.65
NHS Norwich	£5,683.99	£274.98	£566.12
NHS South Norfolk	£6,857.52	£251.49	£754.82
NHS West Norfolk	£4,475.91	£183.32	£600.43

*\*Please note: Due to a change in contract prices in September 2016, the value given for Risk Assessments has assumed half were conducted prior to the price change and half after*

**3. How many patients with cluster headache only have been provided with home oxygen therapy in each of the last 5 years**

*Please note, CCGs only came into existence from 1 April 2013 therefore information prior to this date is not held.*

*In respect of the information requested from 2013 – 2016 the information requested is not held. For Information governance reasons, the CCG do not retain the individual patient data that would enable us to answer this question in full for previous years.*

*The figures for the current year based on the latest 12 months of available data (March 2016 to Feb 2017) are:*

CCG	Patients with a Clinical Code 18 – Cluster Headache
NHS North Norfolk	20
NHS Norwich	22
NHS South Norfolk	28
NHS West Norfolk	21

**4. Is the supply of home oxygen VAT exempt?**

*No (Home Oxygen Services is liable for VAT on electricity reimbursement at 5% and on all other charges at 20%).*

**5. Do invoices sent to the payer includes VAT at the standard rate of 20%?**

*Yes the invoices have the appropriate VAT charges applied as per question 4.*