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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Continence Services within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

1. Do you provide continence aids to meet the assessed needs of:

*a) Care home residents who have been assessed as qualifying for fully-funded NHS Continuing Healthcare Yes / No?*

[Any CHC patient in a nursing home would have an individual assessment undertaken by the relevant provider team as necessary and the appropriate products provided.](#)

*b) Care home residents who have been assessed as qualifying for Funded Nursing Care payments Yes / No?*

[As above](#)

*c) Care home residents who have been assessed as requiring personal care only ie residential residents who are not in receipt of CHC or FNC funding*

*Yes / No?*

[Yes](#)

2. If you have adopted a different approach between 1a, 1b and 1c please explain why.

3. If the answer to any of Questions 1a, 1b or 1b is yes:

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Chief Officer: Fiona Clark

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- a) *please provide us with details of the continence aids that you provide (including the types of aids and number of items supplied per resident per week for each of the three categories of resident 1a, 1b and 1c).*
  - b) *is the type of aid and amount of items supplied varied according to individual residents' assessed need? If so, please explain how. If not, please explain why not.*
  - c) *have you set a maximum limit of the number of continence pads and / or other continence aids supplied per resident? If so, please tell us what this limit is and explain why it has been set at this level.*
4. If you do not directly provide continence aids, do you instead make a payment to reimburse care homes for purchasing continence aids for their residents Yes / No?
5. If the answer to Question 4 is yes:
- a) *for the three categories of residents identified in Questions 1a, 1b and 1c, what is the amount of this payment per resident per week?*
  - b) *is the amount paid a standard sum or does it vary according to a resident's assessed needs?*
  - c) *please provide us with details of your calculations to determine that the amount paid is sufficient to meet residents' assessed needs.*
  - d) *please provide us with details of your processes for making these payments (e.g. are they made upon receipt of an invoice from the care home, are they paid automatically together with Funded Nursing Care payments etc?)*
6. Does every care home resident get a continence assessment Yes / No. If the answer is no, please explain why not.
7. How often do you normally review a resident's continence assessment? Do you have a maximum time limit between such assessments and if so, what is this limit?

With regards to questions 2 – 7 NHS South Sefton CCG does not hold this information. Please re-direct your request to the provider

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