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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Community Pharmacy services within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

Q1. Did the CCG commission any services from community pharmacies in your area between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014? If so, please provide details of the services eg. nature of the service, total budget allocated and payments to pharmacies.

South Sefton CCG commissioned the following services from community pharmacies between April 1.2013 and March 31, 2014 (for further details about the services please refer to Sefton Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2015-2018):

- [Care at the Chemist minor ailments scheme](#)
- [Supply of dressings to nursing homes](#)

Financial information is only held for the Care at the chemist minor ailments scheme. Please see table below.

Other costs; Supply of dressings to Nursing Homes, Supply of gluten free foods, palliative care drugs is included within the total charges from pharmacies and not separately identified.

Q2. Did the CCG commission any services from community pharmacies in your area between April 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015? If so, please provide details of the services commissioned eg. nature of the service, total budget allocated and payments to pharmacies.

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- Palliative care drugs supply service

Care at the Chemist costs

CCG	Apr13 - Mar14		Apr14 - Mar 15	
	Budget	Payments	Budget	Payments
South Sefton CCG	N/A*	434,820	N/A*	421,213

*Please note: Budget was not allocated to this level of detail

An overall budget was allocated to one cost centre which incurs costs for various pharmacy schemes.

Q3. Has the CCG decommissioned any services from community pharmacies in your area between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2015? If so, please provide details of the services decommissioned eg. the nature of the service, total budget cut and payments to pharmacies removed.

No

Q4. Has the CCG continued to fund any services from community pharmacies that had been commissioned prior to April 1, 2013?

If so, please provide details of the services eg. the nature of the service, total budget allocated and payments to pharmacies.

South Sefton CCG has continued to commission

- Care at the chemist minor ailments scheme
- Supply of dressings to nursing homes

Q5. If the CCG held any meetings between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2015 where the commissioning of community pharmacy services was discussed, please could you provide the following details:

- a. The date of the meeting
- b. A full list of the services discussed
- c. A full list of the attendees

A copy of the minutes of the meetings

Minutes from Governing body meetings are available on the CCG website.

http://www.southseftonccg.org.uk/?page_id=212