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## Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Prolonged Disorders of Consciousness within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

### Request/[Response](#):

1. Please state the number of patients whose care is funded by your CCG who are suffering from a prolonged disorder of consciousness or otherwise in a minimally conscious state.

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2. Please state the number of these patients for whom the condition was the result of an assault, stabbing, or other violent attack. This should be identifiable from records you hold, and given the number of patients is likely small, would be unlikely to breach the cost limit to check.
3. In addition to this, please also state the number of these patients for whom the condition was the result of an assault by a sharp object. However, if looking into this exceeds the cost limit, feel free to limit your response to questions 1 and 2 only.
4. Please provide a breakdown of the cost of caring for these patients, and the length of time they have spent in your care.

I appreciate the number of patients is likely to be small, however, I would be grateful if you could give ranges of time periods, and express the number as "less than five" if you are unable to give exact numbers for a specific reason, as this would not trigger section 40 issues.

Please provide information for the following financial years

- a) 2018-19
- b) 2019-2020
- c) 2020-2021

[For question 2-3 – Not applicable](#)

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that