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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Community Health Services within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/Response:

1. Does the CCG commission Community Health Services via a block contract?

Yes

If the answer to question 1 is no, briefly describe the commissioning approach.

N/A

2. Does the CCG's Community Health Service contract specifically include the provision of care for ambulatory sensitive conditions which are designed to prevent emergency admission to hospital?

Yes

3. Is the prevention of admission to hospital with one or more ambulatory sensitive condition a specific component of the current contract for district nursing services?

Yes

4. Other than an inflationary uplift, has the Community Health Services contract increased, decreased, or remained the same during the 2019/20 and 2020/21 financial years?

Remained the same.

5. Has the CCG commissioned services in the last two years (2019/20 and 2020/21) that are specifically designed to prevent admission to hospital for patients with ambulatory sensitive conditions?

Yes, COVID oximetry programme which includes Covid Virtual Ward and Covid oximetry at home via SERV car.

6. If the answer to question 5 was yes – were these services to develop:

- Acute Visiting Scheme: Out of hours for Primary Care
- Commissioned additional capacity in clinical assessment service capacity: To support secondary care to redirect away from Emergency Department
- NHS 111: To support secondary care to redirect away from ED