

25 May 2021

**Our Ref:** RFI 38504

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Information in Relation to Continuing Healthcare Funding**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to the above which you requested on 9 April 2021.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Nursing, Primary Care and Older Peoples Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital ([informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net](mailto:informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net)) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

---

**Joyce Batch**  
**Information Governance Assistant**

**Q1 How many assessments for Continuing Health Care funding have been completed in SE Trust between 2010 and 2021?**

A1 The Trust conducts all multi-disciplinary health and social care assessments in line with the guidance contained in ECCU 1/2010 Care Management, Provision of Services and Charging Guidance.

Figures for enquiries regarding Continuing Health Care have been collated since 2012 and the numbers are shown in Table 1 below;

Table1

| Year    | 01.04.12-31.03.13 | 01.04.13-31.03.14 | 01.04.14-31.03.15 | 01.04.15-31.03.16 | 01.04.16-31.03.17 | 01.04.17-31.03.18 | 01.04.18-31.03.19 | 01.04.19-31.03.20 | 01.04.20-30.11.20 |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| *Number | 17                | 5                 | 10                | 5                 | <5                | <5                | <5                | <5                | <5                |

\*You will note that some of the numbers have been masked, this is due to small numbers within a small geographical area.

**Q2 How many of these assessments have resulted in Continuing Health Care funding being provided?**

A2 Within the Trust, no assessments have resulted in Continuing Health Care funding being provided

**Q3 How many funded placements have been for individuals who have dementia?**

A3 There have not been any funded placements within the Trust for individuals with dementia.

All Trust placements in a Nursing or Residential Care Home setting have been subject to the guidance for care management as contained in the Circular ECCU 1/2010 – Care Management, Provision of Services and Charging Guidance (Department of Health)