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## **Freedom of Information request: 20230502**

Dear Tina Ahang

Thank you for your request for information dated 2 May 2023.

Your request has been managed under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

NHS Birmingham and Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) transitioned to NHS Birmingham and Solihull Integrated Care Board (ICB) on the 1 July 2022. These changes came about due to the Health and Care Act 2022. You can find more information about this [here](#).

Our ICB is known publicly as 'NHS Birmingham and Solihull'. The ICB is the successor body to the CCG. Any information provided that predates 1 July 2022, will refer to the CCG.

### **Request**

In order to help you meet my request, I provide definitions to the terms I use in my questions below:

#### ***Life-limiting and life-threatening conditions***

“Life-limiting conditions are those for which there is no reasonable hope of cure and from which children will die. Some of these conditions cause slow deterioration over time rendering the child increasingly dependent on parents and carers.

Life-threatening conditions are those for which curative treatment may be feasible but can fail, such as cancer.”

#### ***Children and young people***

Babies, children and young people aged 0-25.

#### **My questions**

- 1) Please set out how much money your integrated care board spent on hospice care for children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions between 6 April 2022 and 5 April 2023. Please provide a total, in addition to a breakdown of funding per children's hospice organisation.
- 2) Please set out how many children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions who live in your integrated care board footprint accessed hospice care between 6 April 2022 and 5 April 2023. Please provide a total, in addition to a breakdown of funding per hospice organisation.
- 3) Please set out how many children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions who live in your integrated care board footprint could benefit from children's hospice care.
- 4) Please set out how much money your integrated care board plans to spend on hospice care for children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions between 6 April 2022 and 5 April 2023. Please provide a total, in addition to a breakdown of funding per hospice organisation.

### Response

- 1) **NHS Birmingham and Solihull do hold the information requested in part**  
Acorns contract value is £730,000 per annum
- 2) **NHS Birmingham and Solihull do not hold the information requested**  
Please contact Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust  
[Bwc.freedomofinformation@nhs.net](mailto:Bwc.freedomofinformation@nhs.net)
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If you have any queries or concerns, or are dissatisfied with the service you have received in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you wish to request a review of the decision please email the Senior Information Governance Manager via [bsol.foi@nhs.net](mailto:bsol.foi@nhs.net) in the first instance.

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- Writing to: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
- Calling: 0303 123 1113
- Online: <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>

Yours sincerely,

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