

22 May 2023

FOI-0605: Hospice Care Usage & Funding

The questions below which I would like you to answer are designed to help me understand:

- How much money your integrated care board (ICB) spent on hospice services for children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions in 2022/23
- How many children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions in your ICB footprint accessed hospice care during 2022/23
- How much money your integrated care board (ICB) plans to spend on hospice services for children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions during 2023/24.

Below are definitions will assist you in completing this request:

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.

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.

£586,888



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.

The Black Country ICB does not hold patient information, you are advised to redirect your request to the hospice detailed below. The ICB provides a contribution to overall budget, therefore we are unable to give a breakdown of ICB funded only CYP, the total amount given to hospice is detailed in question 1 response.

Acorns (for the Black Country)
Walstead Road
Walsall
WS5 3LZ

Email: BlackCountry.Admin@acorns.org.uk

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.

This information is not held by the ICB. You are advised to redirect your request to the hospice as detailed in question 2 response.

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.

Please refer to question 1 response.

