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Dear Tina Ahang

Your Request for Information

Please find below the response to your recent request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI), which was received on 2 May 2023.

Information Requested/Response

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.

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.
NHS Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) can confirm that it holds the requested information.

The total recurrent funding totals £125,232. The funding was split between Martin House Children's Hospice in Boston Spa (£64,114) and St Andrew's, Grimsby (£61,118).

The ICB can also advise that match funding of £92,000 was received and used for training and education of system workforce.

Match funding is where the ICB has agreed an amount to be spent on Children and Young People's palliative care and end of life services development and improvement, which is then matched by NHS England.

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 ICB can confirm that it does not hold this data. However, in order to provide as much assistance as possible, the ICB has received general feedback which suggests approximately 225 children across the ICB footprint accessed hospice care within the dates specified.
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.
The ICB can confirm that it does not hold this information.
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 2023 and 5 April 2024. Please provide a total, in addition to a breakdown of funding per hospice organisation.
The ICB can confirm that the recurrent funding and split are currently unchanged from the figures provided in Question 1, however, the match funding is yet to be confirmed.

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Yours sincerely

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