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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DECISION NOTICE

Dear Requester

FOI Reference Number: 70691

I refer to your email of 02 May 2023 requesting information in relation to hospice care for children and young people.

I can confirm on behalf of NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do hold some of the information that you have requested. A response to each element of your request is detailed below.

- 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 Lincolnshire ICB was established on 1st July 2022 – the information below covers both the former NHS Lincolnshire CCG (01 April 2022 – 30th June 2022) and the new NHS Lincolnshire ICB (01 July 2022 – 31 March 2023).

Rainbows Hospice 2022/2023 value £25,000

St Andrew's 2022/2023 – the total value of this contract was £56,419 for 2022/2023 and includes adult care. This is a block contract – the value for children and young people is unable to be separated out from the total contract value.

- 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.**

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Rainbows had 13 new referrals April 2022 to March 2023 - contract value was £25,000

St Andrew's - the number of children who accessed care:

16 between April 2022 to June 2022.

15 from July 2022 to September 2022.

Please note the following:

- *an individual child may have received care in both time periods listed above*
- *information from October 2022 has not yet been received from the provider*

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.

We have identified as one of our Integrated Care System (ICS) Children and Young People (CYP) priorities this year we will be reviewing the pathways for our palliative and end of life care in line with hospice care will be an important element. We are already in dialogue with Rainbows Hospice in Loughborough and a meeting has been arranged with Andy's Hospice in July. We do not have absolute numbers at this stage. We also recognise that due to the wide spread of our ICS, many families may not want to access a hospice due to the distances involved and we will need to look at community-based provision closer to home. For this reason, co-production is crucial to help inform this piece of work so that the voice of CYP and their families helps to drive this transformation work.

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.

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The response below shows the spending plans for 2023/2024 and not 06 April 2022 – 05 April 2023 as requested.

Rainbows Hospice 2023/2024 value – £25,450

St Andrews 2023/2024 contract value – £57,435 (this includes adult care)

I hope that this answers your queries with the information we currently hold, but if I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to

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Yours faithfully

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