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Dear James/Tina

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

The NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (WYICB) is pleased to respond to your request for information and provide the information set out below.

Request / 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.

We have 2 children’s hospices in West Yorkshire

In 2022/23 we grant funded these charities a total of £654,598 with a further non recurrent support grant of £560,000.

Broken down to hospice is as follows:

Forget Me Not: Recurrent grant £47,859; non recurrent support grant £362,000
Martin House: Recurrent grant £606,739; non recurrent support grant £198,000

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.

We are unable to provide this data. It is not possible to say whether this funding directly supported children and young people with life limiting or life threatening conditions as the hospices provide a range of services and the grant funding is non specific.



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 are unable to provide this data as it is not routinely collated

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.

The total of the recurrent grants will be: £654,598.

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Forget Me Not: Recurrent grant £47,859

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The WYICB has not yet concluded any uplift nor any further non recurrent support for 2023/24.

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Yours sincerely

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