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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding commissioning of mental health services within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/Response:

Please provide answers to the questions below including answer for the previous three financial years (2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18) and any known information (for example, planned spending) for the year 2018-19. If you cannot provide information for the full three-year period, the most recent information you have would be appreciated.

1. Do you employ a mental health lead?

Yes, NHS Southport and Formby CCG has employed a mental health lead since 2014.

2. Spending on mental health (total)

- a. What was the total amount (£) allocated to mental health trusts?

	£'000
2015-16	14,287
2016-17	14,225
2017-18	14,374
Planned spend 2018-19	14,803

- b. What was the total amount of money spent (£) on mental health services by your CCG?

	£'000
2015-16	20,561
2016-17	21,001
2017-18	20,294
Planned spend 2018-19	22,059

3. Adult mental health: Acute hospital liaison

- a. Do you commission A&E and Ward liaison teams to operate 24/7? Are such liaison teams universally included in contracts for the provision of acute hospital services?

Yes, hospital liaison is provided by our secondary mental health provider CORE 24. Funding commenced in September 2017.

4. Adult mental health: Crisis and acute care and suicide prevention

- a. Do you commission a crisis resolution home treatment (CRHT) as an alternative to acute in-patient admission? Does this service operate 24/7?

We commission a “stepped up care” function within Community Mental Health Teams which undertakes aspects of CRHT. This is currently being redesigned to meet CRHT fidelity by 2020/21 in line with the Mental Health 5 Year Forward View.

At present the service is offered:

Mon-Fri 08:00-20:00 Sat & Sun 09:00 – 13:00

- b. Response times

The assessment service operates to the following response times based on triage, based on the following:-

- Immediate
- Urgent: seen within 72 hours

5. Children’s and young people’s (CYP) mental health

- a. Do you involve CYP and parents/carers in commissioning and service design for CYP?

We work with a number of groups to inform our commissioning and redesign service. For example Camhelions and Sefton Young Advisors who are a group of young people from Sefton, Merseyside who care about mental health.

- b. Do you commission specialist treatment for CYP with eating disorders?

Yes

- c. What is the proportion of CYP with eating disorders seen within 1 week (urgent) and 4 weeks (routine)?

In 2017/18 93% of urgent referrals were seen within 1 week and 86% of routine referrals were seen within 4 weeks.

6. Perinatal mental health

- a. Do you commission specialist perinatal mental health services? If so, what was the total amount (£) and total amount spent on perinatal mental health services?

NHS England commission perinatal mental health services for Southport and Formby residents as part of a wider Cheshire and Mersey approach.

The notional Southport and Formby CCG share of this based on contract value will be approximately:

- £71k

- b. Do you have a strategy for providing perinatal mental health services?

A strategy is being developed across the Cheshire and Merseyside footprint as part of our partnership working.

7. Mental health of older persons

- a. Do you commission tailored, community based, physical or other activity programmes for older persons?

Yes, we commission these services from the Alheimers Society, Sefton Carers Centre, Swan Centre, Expect, Age Concern and the Netherton Feelgood Factory.