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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Individual funding within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/Response:

1. Which procedures in 2013/14 were always subject to individual funding requests?

Please see appendix 1 the Cheshire and Merseyside Prior Approval scheme 2011/12 incorporating Procedures of Lower Clinical Priority (PLCP) which was still in place in 2013/14. All procedures listed within this document as “not routinely commissioned” where there is no stated exception criteria, were always subject to an individual funding request, also, any procedure not listed anywhere in the policy which was not commissioned via an alternate pathway would have been subject to an individual funding request. Please note that we are unable to identify what procedures are not listed within the policy; these become apparent as and when applications are received.

Which procedures as of 1 April 2018 are always subject to individual funding requests?

Please see appendix 2 the Midlands and Lancashire Criteria Based Clinical Treatments Policy (CBCT) which came into effect for NHS South Sefton and NHS Southport & Formby CCG s on 1 April 2018. All procedures listed within this document as “not routinely commissioned” where there is no stated exception criteria, were always subject to an individual funding request, also, any procedure not listed anywhere in the policy which was not commissioned via an alternate pathway would have been subject to an individual funding request. Please note that we are unable to identify what procedures are not listed within the policy; these become apparent as and when applications are received.

2. How many individual funding requests has the CCG received in each financial year going back to 2013? How many of these has it denied? Please detail what the procedures were.

Please see attached appendix 3 that discloses how many individual funding requests the CCG received in each financial year going back to 2013, how many of these were denied and details of what the procedures were.