

Ref: FOI/00369/CMICB  
26 May 2023

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Children's Mental Health Spending**

Thank you for your information request indicated in bold below, which has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB). I can provide you with the following information and responses.

**Your Request:**

**1) Please provide you spend for the last 5 years for children's (under 18) mental health providers in excel format, however if this is over the time limit for FOI's please focus on the last 3 years or year respectively dependent on time:**

**I would suggest column titles in the excel would be:**

- a) Name of the provider of mental health service**
- b) Type (Digital or in person)**
- c) Year**
- d) Type of service if available (psychology services, counselling etc)**
- e) Spend in £value**
- f) Number of patients served**

**Our Response:**

Please find listed below the information held regarding children and young peoples (CYP) mental health (MH) spending in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB:

**Cheshire**

- 1a) Cheshire & Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.
- 1b) Both digital and in person.
- 1c) Services commissioned as part of an annual rolling block contract (currently from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024).
- 1d) *Getting More Help* and *Getting Risk Support* services (formerly Tier 3 & Tier 4 specialist mental health services).

1e) Please find listed below the total spend on the services listed in response to 1d) for the 2019/20 to 2022/23 financial years:

Financial Year	Total Spend (£)
2019/20	10,359,418
2020/21	11,452,939
2021/22	11,075,464
2022/23	8,773,869

1f) Services commissioned for all children across the Cheshire area.

### Halton

1a) Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust.

1b) Both digital and in person.

1c) Services commissioned as part of an annual rolling block contract (currently from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024).

1d) Full range of Mental Health and Learning Disability services, up to and including Tier 3 Children & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

1e) Please find enclosed *FOI00369 Halton Table* which details the information held regarding children and young peoples (CYP) mental health (MH) services/spending in the former NHS Halton CCG area over the last five years.

1f) Services commissioned for all CYP across the population of Halton.

### Knowsley

1a) Please find listed below the commissioned providers of CYP MH services in the Knowsley area:

- *Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust*
- *Clinical Partners*
- *Listening Ear*
- *Sensory Hive*
- *Young Persons Advisory Service*

1b) Delivery across the local offer is a mix of digital and in person

1c)

CYP MH Provider	Contract Start/End Dates
<i>Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust</i>	01 April 2022 – 31 March 2023
<i>Clinical Partners</i>	01 April 2022 – 31 March 2023
<i>Listening Ear</i>	01 April 2022 – 30 Sept 2022
<i>Sensory Hive</i>	01 April 2022 – 31 March 2023
<i>Young Persons Advisory Service</i>	01 April 2022 – 31 March 2023

1d)

CYP MH Provider	Type of Service Commissioned
<i>Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust</i>	ADHD Assessment and ongoing services
<i>Clinical Partners</i>	ASD Assessment
<i>Listening Ear</i>	Bereavement Counselling

<i>Sensory Hive</i>	Sensory processing assessments and treatment
<i>Young Persons Advisory Service</i>	support young people's mental health and emotional wellbeing

1e)

CYP MH Provider	Annual Spend (£)
<i>Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust</i>	344,285
<i>Clinical Partners</i>	579,200
<i>Listening Ear</i>	34,304
<i>Sensory Hive</i>	76,000
<i>Young Persons Advisory Service</i>	44,000

1f)

CYP MH Provider	Number of patients service commissioned for
<i>Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust</i>	25 referrals per month
<i>Clinical Partners</i>	65 referrals per month
<i>Listening Ear</i>	33 CYP per month receiving block of therapy
<i>Sensory Hive</i>	27 assessments + treatment
<i>Young Persons Advisory Service</i>	50 service users

## Liverpool

1a) Liverpool operates an integrated CYP mental health offer delivered by the CAMHS Partnership. This is a collaborative of NHS and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector organisations working together to deliver services across different levels of need. Services delivered are for CYP aged 0-25 years and their families. Providers include:

<b>Service</b>	<b>Level of Need Met</b>
Merseyside Youth Association	Prevention
Bully Busters	Prevention/Early Help
Kooth	Prevention/Early Help
Young Persons Advisory Service	Early Help/More specialist support
PSS	Early help/targeted support
Liverpool Learning Partnership	Specialist support
Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust	Specialist support
Barnardo's Young Carers	Targeted support
Advanced Solutions	Targeted support
ADHD Foundation	Targeted support

1b) Delivery across the local offer is a mix of digital and in person (as detailed in response to Question 1d below).

1c)

<b>Provider (a)</b>	<b>Dates (c)</b>
Alder Hey Childrens NHS FT	01/04/2013 – 31/03/2023
Young People’s Advisory Service (YPAS)	01/04/2016 – 31/03/2023
Merseyside Youth Association (MYA)	01/04/2016 – 31/03/2023
Advanced Solutions Community Network	01/04/2016 – 31/03/2023
ADHD Foundation Ltd	01/04/2016 – 31/03/2023
Kooth Digital Health Ltd	01/10/2019 – 31/03/2023
Liverpool Learning Partnership	01/02/2019 – 31/03/2023
PSS	01/04/2016 – 31/03/2020
Barnardo’s Young Carers	Jointly commissioned with Local Authority. Contract held with Liverpool City Council
Bully Busters	Jointly commissioned with Local Authority. Contract held with Liverpool City Council

1d)

<b>Service</b>	<b>Level of Need Met</b>	<b>Service delivered</b>
Merseyside Youth Association (MYA) (aged 5-19 years inc families)	Prevention	MH Promotion Resilience building Participation and Engagement Training (development, delivery and co-ordination)  Website Host with link to online referral form <a href="http://www.liverpoolcamhs.com">www.liverpoolcamhs.com</a>  Newsletter <b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b>
Bully Busters (aged 5-19 years inc. families)	Prevention/Early Help	Telephone advice Workshops training <b>Face to Face and telephone</b>
Kooth (aged 10-25 years)	Prevention/Early Help	Online Counselling and support service  <b>Online delivery</b>

<p>Young Persons Advisory Service (YPAS) (aged 5-25 years inc families)</p>	<p>Early Help/More specialist support</p>	<p>Host 3 community MH hubs offering:  Drop-in  Support groups  Information, Advice and Guidance  Psycho-education  LGBTQ support  Parenting/family courses and wellbeing  Counselling and Psychological therapies  YOS wellbeing and counselling inc. Family Systemic Practice  Primary Care Liaison (Wellbeing Practitioners in every Primary Care Network)  Host and deliver as part of 3 Integrated Education MH Teams (wellbeing support, counselling and psychological therapies)  Targeted psychological therapies service for refugee and asylum seeking CYP  Weekly MDT for complex cases with other CYP and Adult MH providers  Alternative to Crisis Drop in (Wellbeing and Psychological support)</p> <p><b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b></p>
<p>PSS (aged 5-19) – Note service moved to YPAS above from 2020</p>	<p>Early Help/Targeted Support</p>	<p>Psychological service in primary schools in partnership with YPAS above  Targeted psychological services for refugee and asylum seeking CYP</p>
<p>Liverpool Learning Partnership (aged 5-18 years inc. families)</p>	<p>Specialist support</p>	<p>Support development of Whole School Approach to Mental health and Emotional Wellbeing.</p> <p><b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b></p>

<p>Alder Hey NHS Childrens Foundation Trust (aged 0-18 years inc. families)</p>	<p>Specialist support</p>	<p>Host 24/7 Central Point of referral and telephone support Range of therapeutic and psychiatric support from multi-disciplinary team Individual and family support/therapy Brief intervention and longer term support Medication support and review Pre referral consultation Dedicated specialism, support and pathways for vulnerable groups (YOS, CiC, BAME, LD, early years) - dedicated sessions in Children's Centres, CiC teams, YOS &amp; adolescent team 24/7 crisis response inc AED liaison, Home Based Treatment and Intensive support function (LD/ASD) Eating disorder service inc ARFID pathway Part of Education Mental Health Team hosted by YPAS providing Mental Health Support Offer (Education Mental health Practitioners and Specialist MH Practitioners)</p> <p><b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b></p>
<p>Barnardo's Young Carers (aged 5-18 years)</p>	<p>Targeted support</p>	<p>Low level emotional wellbeing support for CYP identified as a young carer: Individual and group support activities Family support</p> <p><b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b></p>

Advanced Solutions (forms part of CYP MH and Neurodevelopmental offer)  (aged 5-19 years)	Targeted support	Support for CYP with neurodevelopmental conditions (pre,during and post diagnosis): Drop-in Family Learning Programmes Professional and Family awareness sessions Community Networks CYP groups YP Coaching  <b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b>
ADHD Foundation (forms part of CYP MH and Neurodevelopmental offer)  (aged 5-19 years)	Targeted support	Support for CYP with ADHD and their families: Information, Advice and Guidance CYP groups Parent/carer groups  <b>Face to Face and Online delivery</b>

1e) CYP MH Spend in Liverpool (as reported to NHS England - Mental Health Investment Standard submission)

Financial Year	Total CYP MH Spend (£)
2017/18	6,051,000
2018/19	6,726,000
2019/20	7,719,000
2020/21	8,843,000*
2021/22	8,442,000
2022/23	9,132,000

\*2020/21 data includes additional NHS England funding.

1f) CYP MH Services are commissioned based on need and meet the national access target of improved access to NHS commissioned CYP MH provision.

### Sefton

Please find enclosed *FOI00369 Sefton Table* which details the information held regarding children and young peoples (CYP) mental health (MH) services/spending in the former NHS South Sefton and NHS Southport & Formby CCG areas over the last five years.

## St Helens

1a - 1f) Please find enclosed *FOI00369 St Helens Table* which details the information held regarding children and young peoples (CYP) mental health (MH) services/spending in the former NHS St Helens CCG area over the last five years.

## Warrington

1a) Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust.

1b) Both digital and in person.

1c) Services commissioned as part of an annual rolling block contract (currently from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024).

1d) Full range of Mental Health and Learning Disability services, up to and including Tier 3 Children & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

1e) Please find enclosed *FOI00369 Warrington Table* which details the information held regarding children and young peoples (CYP) mental health (MH) services/spending in the former NHS Halton CCG area over the last five years.

1f) Services commissioned for all CYP across the population of Warrington.

## Wirral

1 - 1f)

MHIS Category Description					Reference Number
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD)					1
Provider	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23
<i>CWP</i>	4,475,861	4,775,204	5,125,922	6,407,413	6,923,209
<i>My Happy Mind</i>				22,273	26,438
<i>Kooth</i>					21,639
<i>Blossom Haus</i>				30,879	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4,475,861</b>	<b>4,775,204</b>	<b>5,125,922</b>	<b>6,460,565</b>	<b>6,971,285</b>

*CWP*: Provide our clinical mental health service for children, such as CAMHS. This is commissioned to accommodate the national ask for 35% access rates to CAMHS services.

*myHappyMind*: A social and emotional learning and resilience programme for Primary Schools and Early Years settings. Currently commissioned for 22 Primary Schools and 10 Early Years settings.

*Kooth*: An online counselling and support service commissioned to accommodate the total 11-18 young person population. This is a Wirral Borough Council Contract.

*Blossom Haus*: A third sector charity organisation providing online and face to face peer mentor and online CBT support for young people in Wirral. Initially commissioned as a start up to work in conjunction with CAMHS services.

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that, where you are not satisfied with the response to your request for information, a formal complaints and internal review process is available.

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Where you remain dissatisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at;

*The Information Commissioner's Office*  
*Wycliffe House*  
*Water Lane*  
*Wilmslow*  
*Cheshire*  
*SK9 5AF*  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Should you need any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us quoting the above FOI reference.

FOI00369 Halton Table

Category Name	NHS HALTON PLACE (Former NHS HALTON CGG)															
	Mersey Care 18/19	Total Spend 18/19	Mersey Care 19/20	Total Spend 19/20	Mersey Care 20/21	All other NHS 20/21	Non NHS 20/21	Total Spend 20/21	Mersey Care 21/22	All other NHS 21/22	Non NHS 21/22	Total Spend 21/22	Mersey Care 22/23	All other NHS 22/23	Non NHS 22/23	Total Spend 22/23
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD)	1,657,232	1,657,232	1,709,000	1,709,000	1,865,774	2,454,000	103,000	4,422,774	2,744,000	1,376,000	103,000	4,223,000	2,420,591	294,409	128,000	2,843,000
Children & Young People's Eating Disorders	133,865	133,865	130,000	130,000	140,905	-	-	140,905	252,000	-	-	252,000	222,000	-	-	222,000
Learning Disabilities and Autism	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,000	46,000	-	90,000	25,000	115,000	-	-	43,800	43,800
		1,791,097		1,839,000				4,609,679				4,590,000				3,108,800

Includes SDF and SR Funding

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	NHS HALTON PLACE				
	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Mental Health Investment Standard	1,791,097	1,839,000	4,609,679	3,985,000	2,637,800
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD) - Service Development Funding				168,000	471,000
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD) - Spending Review Funding				407,000	
Children & Young People's Eating Disorders - Spending Review Funding				30,000	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,791,097</b>	<b>1,839,000</b>	<b>4,609,679</b>	<b>4,590,000</b>	<b>3,108,800</b>

FOI00369 Sefton Table

Provider	Type (Digital or in person)	Contract Start/End dates	Type of service commissioned	Annual Spend (£)			Number of patients service commissioned for
				2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000	
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	CYP CAMHS / Crisis	2,787	3,580	4,419	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Eating Disorders	71	195	452	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Learning Disabilities	99	99	99	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	ASD / ADHD	170	1,057	1,057	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Mental Health School Teams	43	768	768	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Acute Paediatric Liaison	-	-	97	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Alder Hey Childrens Hospital	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Other	-	-	194	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Venus	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Star Centre, IAPT supervision, Counsellin	223	223	223	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Sefton CVS	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Perinatal (Early years work)	100	100	100	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
Sefton LA	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)	1st April - 31st March	Childrens Continuing Care	57	10	-	Information not held by ICB (Sefton)
				<b>3,550</b>	<b>6,032</b>	<b>7,409</b>	

FOI00369 St Helens Table

Provider	Digital or In Person	Type of Service	Contract or actual value £000's 2018/19	Volume Commissioned	Contract or actual value £000's 2019/20	Volume Commissioned	Contract or actual value £000's 2020/21	Volume Commissioned	Contract or actual value £000's 2021/22	Volume Commissioned	Contract or actual value £000's 2022/23	Volume Commissioned
ASCN Ltd	In person and online i.e. webinars	Advice, info, guidance, peer support, training	67	212 learners 11 sessions / programmes	69	212 learners 11 sessions / programmes	70	212 learners 11 sessions / programmes	73	212 learners 11 sessions / programmes	72	212 learners 11 sessions / programmes
Damibu Ltd	Digital	Advice, info, guidance	4		8		5		5		5	
Barnardos	In person	Coaching and training for schools to deliver social and emotional learning	23	Approx 3-4 schools	13	Approx 3-4 schools	20	Approx 3-4 schools	47	Approx 3-4 schools	66	Approx 3-4 schools
Barnardos	In person	Key Worker Scheme									29	Implementation
Listening Ear	In person	Counselling for CWLA									25	12 family units
Listening Ear	In person	Counselling for CYP affected by loss, bereavement, seperation					24	60 completions	39	60 completions	25	60 completions
YMCA	In person	MH Youth Work support and low level CBT									62	160 cyp
SHOUT	Digital (text service)	Counselling and advice									5	
Kooth	Digital	Advice, resources and counselling					63	1300 worker hours	63	1300 worker hours	69	1300 worker hours
St Helens Council	In person	Youth Justice Service	20		20		20		20		20	
Merseycare	In person and online i.e. MS Teams	Assessment and treatment via counselling, specialist therapies, family therapy etc	Unable to provide value as part of a larger block contract. Service isnt commissioned for specific volumes and instead is advised on anticipated prevelance / need and required to report on activity.		Unable to provide value as part of a larger block contract. Service isnt commissioned for specific volumes and instead is advised on anticipated prevelance / need and required to report on activity.		Unable to provide value as part of a larger block contract. Service isnt commissioned for specific volumes and instead is advised on anticipated prevelance / need and required to report on activity.		Unable to provide value as part of a larger block contract. Service isnt commissioned for specific volumes and instead is advised on anticipated prevelance / need and required to report on activity.		Unable to provide value as part of a larger block contract. Service isnt commissioned for specific volumes and instead is advised on anticipated prevelance / need and required to report on activity.	
			114		110		202		247		378	

FOI00369 Warrington Table

Category Name	NHS WARRINGTON PLACE (Former NHS WARRINGTON CCG)																
	Per MC 18/19	All other NHS 18/19	Total Spend 18/19	Mersey Care 19/20	Total Spend 19/20	Mersey Care 20/21	All other NHS 20/21	Non NHS 20/21	Total Spend 20/21	Mersey Care 21/22	All other NHS 21/22	Non NHS 21/22	Total Spend 21/22	Mersey Care 22/23	All other NHS 22/23	Non NHS 22/23	Total Spend 22/23
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD)	2,159,221	80,779	2,240,000	2,533,698	2,533,698	3,262,676	34,381	186,000	3,483,057	4,570,816	99,184	328,816	4,998,816	4,573,602	193,398	547,000	5,314,000
Children & Young People's Eating Disorders	237,568	-	237,568	267,546	267,546	257,145	-	-	257,145	331,000	-	-	331,000	378,000	-	-	378,000
Learning Disabilities and Autism	-	-	-	-	-	-	101,000	-	101,000	-	85,000	189,000	274,000	-	88,780	-	88,780
			<b>2,477,568</b>		<b>2,801,243</b>				<b>3,841,202</b>				<b>5,603,816</b>				<b>5,780,780</b>

	NHS WARRINGTON PLACE				
	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Mental Health Investment Standard	2,477,568	2,801,243	3,841,202	4,436,816	4,783,780
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD) - Service Development Funding				969,000	997,000
Children & Young People's Mental Health (excluding LD) - Spending Review Funding				156,000	
Children & Young People's Eating Disorders - Spending Review Funding				42,000	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,477,568</b>	<b>2,801,243</b>	<b>3,841,202</b>	<b>5,603,816</b>	<b>5,780,780</b>