

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Private Care Providers for Children's/Adults Social Care Services**

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 am able to provide you with the following information and responses.

**Your Request:**

**Do you use private care providers as part of your Integrated Care Partnership and if so, how many do you use to support each of the following:**

- **Children's social care services**
- **Adults social care services**

**Our Response:**

Please be advised that NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not commission children's/adult social care services, as social care services are commissioned by the Local Authority. You may therefore wish to redirect your request for this information to the Local Authorities operating in NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB's geographical area, which are listed below along with their contact details for Freedom of Information requests:

- *Cheshire East Council*  
[foi@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:foi@cheshireeast.gov.uk)
- *Cheshire West and Chester Council*  
[foi@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:foi@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)
- *Halton Borough Council*  
[hdl@halton.gov.uk](mailto:hdl@halton.gov.uk)
- *Knowsley Council*  
[foi@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:foi@knowsley.gov.uk)
- *Liverpool City Council*  
[informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk)

- *Sefton Council*  
[ino.information@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:ino.information@sefton.gov.uk)
- *St Helens Borough Council*  
[www.sthelens.gov.uk/article/6525/Raise-a-Freedom-of-Information-request](http://www.sthelens.gov.uk/article/6525/Raise-a-Freedom-of-Information-request)
- *Warrington Borough Council*  
[foi@warrington.gov.uk](mailto:foi@warrington.gov.uk)
- *Wirral Council*  
[ww3.wirral.gov.uk/crmservicerequests/scripts/ServiceRequestMain.asp](http://ww3.wirral.gov.uk/crmservicerequests/scripts/ServiceRequestMain.asp)

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.

This can be formally requested by emailing [foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk) and must be done within a reasonable time period (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

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)