

Ref: FOI/00440/CMICB  
18 August 2023

Dear,

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Locally Enhanced 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.

Please note from 01 July 2022, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) were disestablished, and their statutory functions and responsibilities inherited by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB.

**Your Request:**

**1) What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

**2a) How many LES / LCS has the ICB terminated or discontinued during the 2022/23 year and 2023/24 (to date)?**

**2b) Please give details of the changes, including the name of the service contracted and date discontinued, and the total value attached to each.**

**3a) How many new LES / LCS has the ICB implemented during the 2022/23 year and 2023/24 (to date)?**

**3b) Please give details of the LES / LCS, including the name of the service contracted and date confirmed/established, and total funding allocated to each contract.**

**4) Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its LES/ LCS since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)? If yes, please give details of service and changes.**

**5) Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated?**

## Our Response:

1 – 7) Please find listed below the information held regarding Local Enhanced Services (LES) contracts operating in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB:

### Cheshire

1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Halton:

- *Phlebotomy Support*
  - *Inter-practice gynae IUS Marina coil*
  - *Initiation insulin*
  - *Carpal tunnel*
  - *Minor Surgery*
  - *Minor Injury*
  - *Vasectomy*
  - *Ear Suction*
  - *Anticoagulation*
  - *Near Patient Testing*
  - *Mental Health*
  - *DMARDS*
  - *Paediatric Bloods*
  - *Prescribing Scheme*
  - *GP Care Homes Scheme*
  - *Asylum Seekers & Refugees*
  - *ADHD - Adult*
- Also 3 local incentive schemes: 1. *Primary Care CQUIN* (West Cheshire) 2. *Primary Care Charter* (Vale Royal and South Cheshire) 3. *Caring Together scheme* (East Cheshire)

2a – b) Nil.

3a) Two; *Asylum Seekers & Refugees (ASR)* which began on 01 April 2022 (GP Practice can claim £150 per ASR patient to support an initial enhanced health check. GP practices may only claim once per patient). *ADHD Adult* which began on 01 April 2022 (funded to the value of £100 per ADHD shared care patient per annum, which can be claimed quarterly at a value of £25 per ADHD shared care patient).

4) No.

5) Not applicable.

### Halton

1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Halton:

- *Enhanced Care Provision to Care Home Residents in Halton*
- *Electrocardiograms (ECGs) in Primary Care*
- *Multidisciplinary Team Meetings (MDT's) in Primary Care*
- *Community Based Anticoagulation Service for Non-Complex Patients*
- *Primary Care 24-hour ABPM and HBPM Service (including domiciliary care)*
- *Near Patient Testing Local Quality Improvement Scheme*
- *Halton Enhanced Scheme (Respiratory)*
- *Enhanced Care Provision to Encourage the uptake of Point of Care Testing in Practices, tests to include CRP, Lipids and HbA1c*

- *Ukraine Health Checks*
- *Diabetes 8 Care processes*
- 2a - b) Nil.
- 3a - b) One, *Diabetes 8 Care process*, which began on 01 April 2023 for up to £52,000 per annum.
- 4) No.
- 5) Not applicable.

### **Knowsley**

- 1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Knowsley:
  - *DMARDS monitoring shared care*
  - *Practice Phlebotomy*
- 2a - b) Nil.
- 3a - b) Local Quality Improvement Scheme to be implemented and available from July 2024 with a total of £4.6million allocated per year.
- 4) No.
- 5) Not applicable.

### **Liverpool**

- 1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Liverpool:
  - *Minor Surgery excisions*
  - *Minor Surgery excisions for patients from other practices*
  - *Minor Surgery injections*
  - *Minor Surgery injections for patients from other practices*
  - *High Risk Drug Monitoring*
  - *Enhanced Primary Care for Homeless Health*
  - *Asylum Seekers and Refugees*
  - *Travelling Community*
  - *Services for the Delivery of Gonadorelin Analogue Therapy in Male Patients # with Stable Prostate Cancer*
  - *Phlebotomy*
- 2a - b) Nil.
- 3a - b) Nil.
- 4) No.
- 5) Not applicable.

### **Sefton**

- 1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Sefton contained within the Local Quality Schemes (LQC) contract:
  - *End of Life*
  - *CKD*
  - *Manual Pulse Checks*
  - *Dementia*
  - *Diabetes*
  - *Cancer Screening*
  - *Primary Care Data*
  - *Learning Disabilities*
  - *Prescribing Quality Scheme*
  - *Digital Champion*

- Carers
- Military Veterans
- Phlebotomy
- Primary Care Prescribing
- Drug Administration
- Covert Drug Administration
- Root Cause Analysis
- Frailty, Falls and Fracture Reviews
- Winter Pressures
- Compression Hosiery Leg Measurement
- Vulnerable Patients Resettlement
- Travellers
- ABPI
- Access Indicator
- Learning Disabilities Vaccinations
- Dementia Indicator
- Primary Care Data

2a - b) Please find listed below the LES' discontinued during the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial year (to date) under the LQC contract:

- CKD statins ended in June 2023.
- SMI ended in June 2023
- Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk ended March 2023.
- Designated Medical Practitioner (DMP) ended March 2023.
- Vaccinations & Immunisations (Pneumococcal) / Learning Disabilities Vaccinations ended March 2023.
- Access ended March 2023.

3a - b)

- Learning Disability Vaccinations started April 2022.
- Access Indicators started April 2022.
- Dementia Indicator started June 2023.
- Learning Disabilities started June 2023.
- Primary Care Data started March 2023.
- Winter Pressures started March 2023.

4) No.

5) LES decommissioned under the LCQ contract have been replaced with new LES services commissioned to replace them. As a result, the level of funding has remained the same, with no savings made.

### **St Helens**

1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in St Helens:

- 24-hour Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring
- ADHD Shared Care
- Anticoagulation Prescribing and Monitoring
- ECG Telemedicine in Primary Care
- Near Patient Testing

2a - b) Nil.

3a - b) Nil.

4) No.

5) Not applicable.

## **Warrington**

1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Warrington:

- *Apex Insight*
- *Primary Care Prescribing Spec (covers 3 areas- 'Near patient Testing (NPT)', Adult ADHD shared care' and PMA-Amber drugs);*
- *Atrial Fibrillation;*
- *Proactive LES;*
- *Medicines Optimisation Engagement and quality improvement;*
- *Deep Vein Thrombosis*
- *Respiratory*
- *Electrocardiogram (ECG)*
- *Enhanced health check & support for Ukraine refugees-2023*
- *Asylum Seekers*

2a - b) One, *COVID Oximetry* which ended on the 31 March 2023.

3a - b) Nil.

4) No.

5) No cost savings made from decommissioning of the *COVID Oximetry* LES as this was decommissioned as the national COVID support ceased.

## **Wirral**

1) Please find listed below the names of the LES' operating in Wirral:

- *Anti Coagulation Identification and Monitoring*
- *Shared Care Monitoring*
- *Dementia Shared Care*
- *Intrauterine Device (IUD) / Pessary Service (heavy menstrual bleeding only)*
- *Homeless*
- *ADHD LEAP*
- *Minor Surgery*
- *Minor Injuries Service*

2a - b) Nil.

3a - b) Nil.

4) No.

5) Not applicable.

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.

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