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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_493_24

You asked:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on NHS Continuing Healthcare in the Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board area in respect of people living with Progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP) and Corticobasal degeneration (CBD, sometimes referred to as corticobasal syndrome or CBS).

My specific questions are below:

1. Please confirm the number of people in the Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board area with PSP and CBD who were receiving NHS Continuing Healthcare in the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.
 - i. People with PSP
 - ii. People with CBD
2. Please confirm the number of applications for NHS Continuing Healthcare that the Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board received in the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 in respect of:
 - i. People with PSP
 - ii. People with CBD
3. Of the above applications for NHS Continuing Healthcare in respect of people with PSP and CBD, please confirm the number which were:
 - i. Approved (found eligible for Continuing Healthcare)
 - ii. Rejected (found ineligible for Continuing Healthcare)
4. Of the above applications for NHS Continuing Healthcare in respect of people with PSP and CBD that were approved, please confirm the number which were for Fast Track Continuing Healthcare.
 - i. People with PSP
 - ii. People with CBD
5. In respect of applications for Continuing Healthcare in respect of people with PSP and CBD that were rejected, please confirm the number of applications that rejected due to:
 - i. Failed initial assessment (NHS Continuing care checklist)
 - ii. Failed full assessment (CHC Decision Support Tool)
 - iii. Other (please specify)

To assist you in fulfilling this request, in ICD-10 (2019) PSP is coded as G23.1, and in ICD-11 (2024) it is coded as 8A00.10.

CBD does not have a distinct ICD code but may be recorded as corticobasal degeneration or corticobasal syndrome.

Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board does not centrally record this information. Continuing Healthcare requests/packages are not recorded according to a medical diagnosis, but according to the individuals care need. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records.

As this is not information that the Health Board routinely compiles, we would have to carry out a specific exercise to retrieve and collate this data. From our preliminary assessment, we estimate that to comply with this element of your request would exceed the appropriate costs limit under Section 12 (cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Under the Act there is an allowance of 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the Fees Regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450. The Fees Regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.

The Health Board has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.