

22 September 2023

Freedom of Information request 642-23

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information regarding supported living services for adults with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD,) mental health (MH) and Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD).

Supported living may also be called Supported accommodation or Supported housing and is a housing scheme where housing, support and care services are provided to help people with disabilities live as independently as possible in the community.

Long term care is provided to clients on an ongoing basis and varies from high intensity provision such as nursing care, to lower intensity support in the community such as the provision of direct payments to arrange regular home care visits.

Please note, that by MH, we mean 'Mental Health Support' and not 'Support with Memory and Cognition' or 'Substance Misuse Support'.

Please provide answers on the attached and accompanying spreadsheet, and wherever possible, please provide separate out for each category of LD, MH, and ASD.

1. Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for placements in supported living.
2. Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD), autism (ASD), or mental health (MH) needs funded by the ICB/Health Board and receiving long-term care in supported living settings. Please provide data for the financial year 2021/22, 2022/23 and where possible, projected figures for 2023/24.
 - a. How many are placed in area (i.e. within the ICB/Health Board boundary)?
 - b. How many are placed out of area (i.e. outside the ICB/Health Board boundary)?
3. Please provide the number of (a) New joiners and (b) Leavers of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, ASD or MH needs in long-term supported living settings. Please provide data for the financial year 2021/22, 2022/23 and where possible, projected figures for 2023/24.

(Please note, by new joiner we mean an individual who is new to adult social care during the year, or was previously not in a long-term supported living setting. By leaver we mean a person whose case is closed with adult social care, or whose supported living placement has ended and been replaced by a different service (e.g. a residential placement))

- a. New joiners
 - b. Leavers
4. Please provide a list of providers of supported living services used by the ICB/Health Board to place adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, ASD or MH receiving long-term care. To clarify, this does not include sole providers of accommodation, such as Housing Associations; only registered care providers, and is only those providers registered as a care agency with the inspectorate. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2022/23
 - a. Please provide, for each provider, the number of adults aged 18-64 with LD, ASD and MH funded by the ICB/Health Board in long-term supported living placements.

- b. Please provide total expenditure with each provider related to long-term placements in supported living for adults aged 18-64 with LD, ASD and MH.
5. Please provide the average weekly fee the ICB/Health Board pays to providers of long-term care in supported living settings for adults (aged 18-64) with LD, ASD and MH. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2022/23
6. Please provide the number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, ASD and MH needs in supported living with fees per week of;
 - a. Less than £500
 - b. £500 to £749
 - c. £750 to £999
 - d. £1,000 to £1,249
 - e. £1,250 to £1,499
 - f. £1,500 to £1,999
 - g. £2,000 to £2,499
 - h. £2,500 or more
7. Please provide the (a) highest, (b) lowest and (c) average hourly rate the ICB/Health Board pays to providers of supported living services for adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, MH and ASD. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2022/23
 - a. Highest
 - b. Lowest
 - c. Average

Response

NHS Scotland do not have Integrated Care Boards (ICB); however we do have Integrated Joint Boards (IJB) which form part of our broader Health and Social Care Partnership. This response is for NHS Borders only and does not cover Scottish Borders Council adult supported living placements.

Please find attached the response for NHS Borders:



FOI 642-23 Response
Data.xlsx

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **642-23** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.