

FOI 2022096 – Personal Health Budget

NHS Calderdale CCG's response to your request can be found below.

This I needed so I can judge whether the work being placed on citizen holders of Personal Health Budgets is fair and just. I have seen an email to a Personal Health Budget holder that states there has been a spike in fraud referrals in 2020/2021 so the data must be available for them to have stated this.

Calderdale CCG has not sent any documentation to clients of the nature referred to below and the CCG has not experienced any cases of Personal Health Budget (PHB) fraud up to the current time.

Provided below is information with regards to our current PHBs.

1. For each year the information is available,
 - a) State year - state whether calendar or financial and if financial, what month it starts
 - b) Start number of Personal Health Budgets active by the end of the year
 - c) Start value of Personal Health Budgets active by the end of the year

The CCG is unable to provide filtered retrospective data because we don't have the ability to do so (specifically for filtered data in the past) in our system.

As of today however (05/10/2021) the CCG has 167 packages of care (across 131 clients) in relation to personal health budgets. Of which

70 relate to direct payments.

44 relate to notional budget.

53 relate to 'jointed funded PHB'.

The total personal health budget care packages equates to £94,440 per week.

- d) Start number of Personal Health Budgets identified as having any fraudulent activity by the end of the year
- e) Start value of Personal Health Budgets identified as any fraudulent activity by the end of the year
- f) Start number of Personal Health Budgets identified as having fraud referrals by the end of the year
- g) Start value of Personal Health Budgets identified as having fraud Referrals by the end of the year

Please refer to the information provided at the start of this FOI; the CCG has not experienced any cases of Personal Health Budget (PHB) fraud up to the current time.

2. Give the method of delivery of the Personal Health Budget
 - a) Notional Budget
 - b) Third Party Budget
 - c) Direct Payment

Please see response to question 1.

3. Give the type of Personal Health Budgets (healthcare, wheelchair, end of life, mental health etc)

The CCG system doesn't capture this data as a standard system field we are therefore not able to access this information.

By START VALUE I mean the financial total of the PHBs allocated to service users at the end of your financial year. By way of example, if you had just two PHB active at year end, one of £3,000 per year and one of £200,000 per year, then I would expect a total of £203,000

See Q1 response which represents the information the CCG has available.