

Ref. No: 0543 Date: 21/12/23

Subject: Better Care Fund

REQUEST

I am reaching out to better understand the allocation of funds attributed to the Better Care Fund.

- 1. Does your Trust receive a budget to spend yourselves from the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), or do you receive services that have already been procured at an HWB/ICS level?
- 2. If your Trust receives a budget, would you be able to share the value of this budget per annum, and the provenance of the budget (HWB/ICS) for the last 5 years.
- 3. If your Trust does receive a budget, could you break down the allocation of the funds, by type of expenditure and supplier for the last 5 years.
- 4. If your Trust does not receive a budget, are there specific services provided by the ICS/Local authority coming directly from the Better Care Fund that are used by your Trust?
- 5. If so, please list the services and suppliers procured and the value of the tenders.

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

1. Does your Trust receive a budget to spend yourselves from the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), or do you receive services that have already been procured at an HWB/ICS level?

No

2. If your Trust receives a budget, would you be able to share the value of this budget per annum, and the provenance of the budget (HWB/ICS) for the last 5 years.

N/A

3. If your Trust does receive a budget, could you break down the allocation of the funds, by type of expenditure and supplier for the last 5 years.

N/A

4. If your Trust does not receive a budget, are there specific services provided by the ICS/Local authority coming directly from the Better Care Fund that are used by your Trust?

No

5. If so, please list the services and suppliers procured and the value of the tenders.

N/A