Dear

Further to your request for information dated 19 April 2017 the information requested is below

1. At the time of responding to this request, has the CCG’s financial plan for 2017/18 and 2018/19 been agreed by NHS England?

NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group can confirm that at the time of responding to this request, the CCG’s financial plan for 2017/18 2018/19 has not yet been agreed.

2. In the CCG’s financial plan for 2017/18, or latest draft of this plan if this has not been finalised by NHS England at the time of responding to this request, has the Mental Health Investment Standard (formerly Parity of Esteem) been achieved?

The CCG can confirm that the Mental Health Investment Standard has been achieved.

3. If the Mental Health Investment Standard (formerly Parity of Esteem) has not been achieved for 2017/18, please indicate the reason using the codes below:

   1 - Commissioners in deficit, not achieving 1% plan metric or with very low growth.

   N/A – Standard achieved
2 - Mental Health Investment Standard (Parity of Esteem) achieved across health economy.

N/A – Standard achieved

3 - Historically high investment in mental health.

N/A – Standard achieved

4 - Other.

N/A – Standard achieved

4. If answering ‘Other’, please provide further explanation as to why the Mental Health Investment Standard (Parity of Esteem) has not been achieved for 2017/18.

N/A

5. In the CCG’s financial plan for 2018/19, or latest draft of this plan if this has not been finalised by NHS England at the time of responding to this request, has the Mental Health Investment Standard (formerly Parity of Esteem) been achieved?

The CCG can confirm that the Mental Health Investment Standard has been achieved.

6. If the Mental Health Investment Standard (formerly Parity of Esteem) has not been achieved for 2018/19, please indicate the reason using the codes below:

1 - Commissioners in deficit, not achieving 1% plan metric or with very low growth.

N/A – standard achieved

2 - Mental Health Investment Standard (Parity of Esteem) achieved across health economy.

N/A – standard achieved

3 - Historically high investment in mental health.

N/A – standard achieved

4 - Other.
N/A – standard achieved

7. If answering ‘Other’, please provide further explanation as to why the Mental Health Investment Standard (Parity of Esteem) has not been achieved for 2018/19.

N/A – standard achieved

8. At the time of responding to this request, has the Chief Executive of your main mental health provider signed a letter stating that the CCG’s mental health planned spend for 2017/18 and 2018/19 is an accurate reflection of health economy investment in mental health, as requested by NHS England?

NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group can confirm this to be the case.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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