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RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 2 September 2013 by NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group. The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

For these questions, I am referring to telehealth services as defined by the government in its 3MillionLives campaign (http://3millionlives.co.uk/about-telehealth-and-telecare#what_is_telehealth?). These questions do not refer to telecare.

1. Has the CCG commissioned telehealth services for its population in 2013/14?
2. Who provides the telehealth service?
3. Which medical conditions do the CCG’s telehealth services target?
4. How much does the CCG plan to spend on commissioning telehealth services for its population in 2013/14, and is it on track to meet this budget?
5. How much does the CCG plan to spend on commissioning telehealth services for its population in 2014/15?
6. How many people are currently using telehealth services in the CCG’s area (as of 2 September 2013)?
7. Is there a difference between the number of people the CCG had expected to be using telehealth services by this point in 2013/14 and the actual number of service users? If yes, please give details.
8. How many member GP practices does the CCG have, and how many of these have signed up to the remote care monitoring (preparation) directed enhanced service (DES) in 2013/14?
9. Please provide details of any plans agreed with participating practices with regards to this DES.

1. Yes
2. The CCG is using the Legacy equipment from the Whole System Demonstrator Programme, monitoring is undertaken by Kent Community Healthcare NHS Trust
3. Services are targeted at those individuals with a Long Term Conditions. Diabetes, Heart Failure and Respiratory Disease

4. There are two strands to the AOP
   (a) AAT Roll Out
   (b) 3 Million Lives
   This will be a commissioning decision.
   (Is it possible that Finance can provide a figure

5. Commissioning intentions for next year, as yet, have not been finalised

6. Telehealth in NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley CCG is used on a long term and short term basis so the numbers fluctuate.

7. The CCG has not set specific targets for Telehealth usage for 13/14

8. There are now 34 member practices some of which have signed by are signed up to the remote care DES

9. NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley CCG are actively encouraging GP practices to sign up to the remote care DES.