Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 18 December 2013 by NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group. The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

Please Note: NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group only came into being on 1 April 2013; therefore they do not hold information prior to April 2013. The information they do hold is set out below, for all other information you may wish to redirect your request to NHS England who should be able to answer your request. Please find their details below:

For postal requests, please send to the following address:
NHS England
PO Box 16738
Redditch
B97 9PT

Email requests should be sent to england.contactus@nhs.net
Please write “Freedom of Information” in the subject line.

How many initial assessments, Continuing Healthcare reviews and Funded Nursing Care reviews were performed in: the financial years 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 so far. Please give data separated by year and type of review.

- how many people are currently receiving Funded Nursing Care, (on the most recent possible date).

530 patients were receiving Funded Nurse Care as at 31 December 2013.

Of those, how many had their last review:

- Less than a year ago
- more than a year,
- more than 18 months,
- more than 2 years,
- more than 3 years,
- more than 4 years
- and more than 5 years.
This information is not currently held by NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group.

PAST:

At the end of the financial year 2012 - 13 (or the closest possible date):

• How many people were receiving Funded Nursing Care?

Of those, how many had had their last review:

• less than a year previously,
• more than a year,
• more than 18 months,
• more than 2 years,
• more than 3 years,
• more than 4 years
• and more than 5 years.

At the end of the financial year 2011-2012 (or the closest possible date):

How many people were receiving Funded Nursing Care?

NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group does not hold this information as there was no CCG data prior to April 2013.

Of those, how many had had their last review:

• up to a year previously,
• more than a year,
• more than 18 months,
• more than 2 years,
• more than 3 years,
• more than 4 years
• and more than 5 years.

At the end of the financial year 2010-2011 (or the closest possible date):

How many people were receiving Funded Nursing Care?

Of those, how many had had their last review:

• up to a year previously,
• more than a year
• more than 18 months,
• more than 2 years,
• more than 3 years,
• more than 4 years
• and more than 5 years.

I also request the 10 longest waiting periods during this period, in year/month/day format, including patients still awaiting review and those who were subsequently reviewed. Patients for whom a last review was before 2010-2011 but who were waiting during the period 2010 - present should be included.

Continuing Healthcare

This part aims to find how long patients have waited for a review of their needs, circumstances etc. regarding patients receiving NHS Continuing Healthcare. This does not include initial assessments. I have asked for the data in time bands, for simplicity.

• how many are currently receiving Continuing Healthcare, (on the most recent possible date).

221 patients were receiving Continuing Healthcare as at 31 December 2013.

Of those, how many had their last review:

• Less than a year ago, 221
• more than a year, 0
• more than 18 months, 0
• more than 2 years, 0
• more than 3 years, 0
• more than 4 years, 0
• and more than 5 years, 0

PAST:

At the end of the financial year 2012 - 13 (or the closest possible date):

• How many people were receiving Continuing Healthcare?

Of those, how many had had their last review:

• less than a year previously,
• more than a year,
• more than 18 months,
• more than 2 years,
• more than 3 years,
• more than 4 years
• and more than 5 years.

At the end of the financial year 2011-2012 (or the closest possible date):

• How many people were receiving Continuing Healthcare?
Of those, how many had had their last review:

- up to a year previously,
- more than a year,
- more than 18 months,
- more than 2 years,
- more than 3 years,
- more than 4 years
- and more than 5 years.

At the end of the financial year 2010-2011 (or the closest possible date):

- How many people were receiving Continuing Healthcare?

Of those, how many had had their last review:

- up to a year previously,
- more than a year,
- more than 18 months,
- more than 2 years,
- more than 3 years,
- more than 4 years
- and more than 5 years.

I also request the 10 longest waiting periods during this period, in year/month/day format, including patients still awaiting review and those who were subsequently reviewed. Patients for whom a last review was before 2010 but who were waiting during the period 2010 - present should be included.

INITIAL ASSESSMENTS

This sections aims to find information about the gap between a request for an initial evaluation/assessment and the evaluation/assessment being performed.

Please send the following data:

Financial year 2013-14 so far:

During the current financial year 2013-14 how many people have requested (including requests made on a person’s behalf by relatives, friends, social workers or other third parties) an initial assessment, for either Funded Nursing Care or Continuing Healthcare?

NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group has received 821 requests for either funded nursing care or continuing health care during the current financial year (2013/14).
Of those how many have received their initial assessment in:

- Fewer than 28 days
- More than 28 days — twelve within the first quarter and fourteen in the second quarter
- More than 2 calendar months
- more than 4 calendar months
- more than 6 calendar months
- more than 8 calendar months
- more than 10 calendar months
- 12 or more than 12 calendar months

NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group can confirm that all initial assessments, other than those indicated above, were undertaken within 28 days.

PAST

During the financial year 2012-13 how many people requested (including requests made on a person’s behalf by relatives, friends, social workers or other third parties) an initial assessment, for either Funded Nursing Care or Continuing Healthcare? Of those how many received their initial assessment in:

- Fewer than 28 days
- More than 28 days
- More than 2 calendar months
- more than 4 calendar months
- more than 6 calendar months
- more than 8 calendar months
- more than 10 calendar months
- 12 or more than 12 calendar months

During the financial year 2011-12 how many people requested (including requests made on a person’s behalf by relatives, friends, social workers or other third parties) an initial assessment, for either Funded Nursing Care or Continuing Healthcare? Of those how many received their initial assessment in:

- Fewer than 28 days
- More than 28 days
- More than 2 calendar months
- more than 4 calendar months
- more than 6 calendar months
- more than 8 calendar months
- more than 10 calendar months
- more than 12 calendar months

During the financial year 2010-11 how many people requested (including requests made on a person’s behalf by relatives, friends, social workers or other third parties) an initial assessment, for either Funded Nursing Care or Continuing Healthcare? Of those how many received their initial assessment in:
- Fewer than 28 days
- More than 28 days
- More than 2 calendar months
- more than 4 calendar months
- more than 6 calendar months
- more than 8 calendar months
- more than 10 calendar months
- more than 12 calendar months

I also request the 10 longest waiting periods during this period, in year/month/day format, including patients still awaiting review and those who were subsequently reviewed. Patients for whom a last review was before 2010 but who were waiting during the period 1/1/2010 - present should be included.

- The amount spent each financial year between 2010-2013, correct at the end of each financial year or the nearest possible date, on:
  a) Continuing Health Care
  b) Funded Nursing Care.

- The 10 most expensive single-patient spends per financial year from 2010 - present, and where the patient receives/ed the care. I do not require names or addresses of, residences, care homes, hospitals, or any other personal details, merely the type of institution. I.e. at home, in a care home etc.

NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group can confirm that during the financial year 2013/14 the 10 most expensive single-patient spends and where the patient receives/ed the care were as follows:

- 10 within care homes
  (based on 2013/14 data only as previous historical information is not held by NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group)