

Executive Corridor
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
Darlington
DL3 6HX
Switchboard Tel: 01325 38 0100
Foundation Trust Office: 01325 74 3625
Corporate Records Office: 01325 74 3700

Request for Information Reference: 06.19.05

Direct line: 01325 743700
Email: cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.net

Email only

2 July 2019

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 4 June 2019 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding the stop smoking services. Specifically you requested information as follows:

Request 1:

Please confirm or deny if you are currently, or have been in any year since 2015-16, commissioned to provide stop smoking services:

- If confirm, please provide your allocated budget for a) this financial year (2019-20) and b) each of the previous years to 2015-16 that you have been commissioned to deliver the service?***
- If deny, please confirm or deny if you have access to an on-site stop smoking service?***

Answer: Until 31 March 2016 the Trust provided community stop smoking services in County Durham. Since 1 April 2017 the Trust has been a partner in the provision of Darlington Stop Smoking Service. The budget available to the Trust is detailed below, please see Request 5.

Request 2:

Please confirm or deny if you have a) pharmacotherapies and b) licensed nicotine-replacement therapies on your hospital formularies:

- ***If confirm, please list (i) the relevant therapies included on your formularies, (ii) the first-line therapy recommended and (iii) the main form of treatment received by patients?***

The Trust does have pharmacotherapies (including NRT) as part of the County Durham and Darlington formulary (varenicline tablets are also included):

16 Hour Patch

Nicorette 25mg Invisi patch (x7)

Nicorette 15mg Invisi patch (x7)

Nicorette 10mg Invisi patch (x7)

24 Hour Patch

NiQuitin CQ 21mg Patch (x7)

NiQuitin CQ 14mg Patch (x7)

NiQuitin CQ 7mg Patch (x7)

Nicotinell TTS 30 (21mg) Patch (x7)

Nicotinell TTS 20 (14mg) Patch (x7)

Nicotinell TTS 10 (7mg) Patch (x7)

Nasal Spray

Nicorette 500microgram Nasal Spray (10ml - 1 bottle)

Mouth Spray

Nicorette QuickMist 1mg/spray (13.2ml - 1 bottle)

Nicorette QuickMist 1mg/spray (26.4ml - 1 bottle)

Inhalator

Nicorette 15mg Inhalator (x20)

Nicorette 15mg Inhalator (x36)

The commonest choice for NRT is a patch or inhalator device.

Request 3:

Please confirm or deny if you have on-site shops selling a) licensed nicotine-replacement therapies, b) unlicensed quitting aids and c) e-cigarettes?

Answer: The listed products are currently unavailable from on-site shops.

Request 4:

a) Please confirm or deny if you have policies in place to implement NICE guideline PH48, Smoking: acute, maternity and mental health services, with regards to recommendations for?

Answer: The Trust does have policy in place. Please see policy attached (V6.3).

b) Ensuring immediate access to stop smoking pharmacotherapies and a range of licensed nicotine-replacement therapies for patients who smoke?

Answer: Stop smoking pharmacotherapies and licensed nicotine replacement therapies are not currently available via hospital shops.

c) Ensuring the sale of stop smoking pharmacotherapies and licensed nicotine-replacement therapies in hospital shops?

Answer: The Trust is seeking to improve referral from hospital to community stop smoking support.

d) Ensuring care pathways deliver continuity between hospital and primary care stop smoking services (including any referral pathways)?

Answer: The Trust is not taking action with respect to the above.

e) Encouraging patients using unlicensed quitting aids to switch to licensed quitting aids?

• If confirm for any of the above, please share the current policy?

Answer: Please see attached Policy (V6.3).

Request 5:

Please provide your annual budget for stop smoking support a) in total, b) on stop smoking services and c) on licensed quitting aids for (i) 2015/16, (ii) 2016/17, (iii) 2017/18, (iv) 2018/19 and (v) 2019/20

Answer:

Budget Summary	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Stop Smoking services	1,016,775	-	21,727	42,519	54,314
Licensed quitting aids	18,942	18,942	18,942	18,942	18,942
Total	1,035,717	18,942	40,669	61,461	73,256

Request 6:

Please confirm or deny if there are any requirements from your local CCG to ration treatment options for people who smoke; if confirm, please provide details?

Answer: There are no requirements to ration treatment options for people who smoke in the contracts the Trust holds with CCGs.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
Darlington
DL3 6HX

If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer