

Freedom of information request NCC-028533-17

Further to your Freedom of Information Request, please find the Council's response as follows:
For the following years 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 for Adults with Learning Disabilities only (18+), can you advise:

1. Do you have a fee for standard residential placements and if so what is your current standard residential weekly fee?

Nottinghamshire County Council do not have a standard rate for younger adult residential care provision. Fees are established based on individual need. Nottinghamshire County Council uses a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). This tool allows placement specifications to be sent out to the market through a competitive process. Providers are invited to tender for a placement providing their own costing. Maximum fee levels can be applied when placement specifications are put through the DPS.

2. If you also have non-standard residential fees, what defines them as being non-standard placements?

Please see above. No standard rate used.

3. What percentage increase has been awarded to both standard and non-standard residential care placements?

A 2.62 % increase was agreed across all Younger Adult residential care providers on 10th April 2017 to reflect the impact of National Living Wage.

If non-standard residential placements have not increased in value, what are your grounds for not doing so?

N/A

4. What are your client numbers in residential care, split by standard and non-standard placement?

There are no standard/non-standard rates. In March 2017 there were 628 service users placed in Younger Adult Residential Care Homes (18-65).

5. What percentage of your client base in residential care is deemed to be out of County, please reply splitting the percentage in standard and non-standard placements?

There are no standard rates. All rates are tailored to individual need. In March 2017 Nottinghamshire County Council had 16% of residential care placements that are out of county.

6. What is your gross budget for residential care at the start of each of those financial years and what percentage is allocated to non-standard placements?

£31,928,860.00 - we don't have a budget for non-standard placements

7. Do you use the IESE care fund calculator to aid fee negotiation? Yes/No

The IESE care fund calculator is used to provide an indication of a fair price for care. For new placements providers bid through the Dynamic Purchasing System to indicate the cost at which they are able to provide a given package.

8. Out of the LD services you commission, how many providers do you consult with (both as a number and as a % total) in relation to your annual fee setting.

We do not consult for annual fee increases.

I hope this information is useful.

Yours sincerely

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