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Question/s to be Answered

Dear FOI team,

Under the FOI Act, I would like to request information regarding your total annual expenditure and average annual expenditure per service user for mental and physical health community nursing and residential care home services.

I am requesting this data for the past 5 financial years (FY2016-17, FY2017-18, FY2018-19, FY2019-20, FY2020-21) broken down by the categories in the list below.

Please note that the subcategories are there both for additional detail if it is available, but also to provide an example of what primary diagnosis/need we are including. For the categories I am looking to obtain the information for services users whose primary diagnosis falls into each category, but if you have an alternative method of categorisation, I would be happy to receive that with some explanation of your categorisation method.

If the breakdown by subcategories would be unreasonably time-consuming, you may choose to treat it as optional and solely provide information for the categories.

In your reply please also include explanations for each category of what primary diagnosis you have included in those categories.

The categorisations we are interested in obtaining the information for are the below:

- Acquired brain injuries – examples including:
 - o Traumatic brain injury
 - o Strokes
 - o Others
- Neurodegenerative diseases – examples including:
 - o Huntington's disease
 - o Multiple sclerosis
 - o Parkinson's disease
 - o Motor neurone disease
 - o Muscular dystrophy
 - o Cerebral palsy
 - o Other
- Cognitive disorders – examples including:
 - o Early-onset dementia
 - o Severe dementia
 - o Alzheimer's
 - o Other
- Psychotic and personality disorders – examples including:
 - o Psychotic disorders
 - o Personality disorders
- Learning disabilities and Autistic Spectrum Disorder – examples including:
 - o General learning disability
 - o Learning disabilities with autistic spectrum disorder
 - o Autistic spectrum disorder

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- o Complex learning disability (learning disabilities with multiple co-morbidities)
- Physical disabilities – examples including:
 - o Spinal injury
 - o Sensory impairment

For your convenience I have included an excel template for you to fill in

Due to the complexity of the response we feel that it is best not to use the spreadsheet that you have provided, instead providing the answer here:

In respect of the information requested the NHS only has one individual that is residential care off island for acquired brain injury rehabilitation so would fall under Traumatic brain injury.

That care cost £350 however that is split 50/50 with Shetland Islands Council so the annual cost to NHS Shetland is normally £63,875 (365*175) but in leap year increases to £64,050.

FY2019-20 was a leap year so £64,050. The other 4 years was £63,875.

Please note NHS Shetland serves a population of approximately 23,000 residents and operates only one District General Hospital that is designed to address the needs of the remote and rural population. As such Gilbert Bain [Hospital](#) in Lerwick does not routinely provide in-patient service and out-patient clinic are generic rather than specialised.

Shetland Island Council responsibility for individuals with significant on going needs is usually provided in specialist residential service off island on the Scottish mainland. The Health Board that these specialist residential homes are located will then become the responsible commissioner for their on-going health care needs.

Routine information that is collected and published regarding Scottish Health Service annual costs can be accessed at:

<https://publichealthscotland.scot/publications/scottish-health-service-costs/scottish-health-service-costs-high-level-costs-summary-2020-to-2021/>

<https://www.isdscotland.org/health-topics/finance/costs/>