

Patient and Client Council

Your voice in health and social care

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Patient and Client Council
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24th September 2021

By Email

Ref: FOI 1568

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing to you in response to your Freedom of Information request received by the Patient and Client Council (PCC) on 10th September 2021 in which you requested information relating to community disability equipment.

Please find below the information requested:

Under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), I would be grateful if you could provide information to us on all the geographical areas that you cover, for the following two periods:

- **1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020.**
- **1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021.**

The value* of community disability equipment provided by your organisation (we require information from each organisation separately, if you wish to provide joint spending figures – please let us know) to disabled and terminally ill children (as defined by the 2010 Equality Act please see *** below) in your area.**

The PCC provides an independent, informed and influential voice that makes a positive difference and advocates for people across Northern Ireland in Health and Social Care. The PCC have not and do not provide any community disability equipment.

The numbers of individual pieces of equipment supplied to disabled and terminally ill children in your area.

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I hope that the information provided assists you. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter.

In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to The Business Services Organisation (BSO), which provides an Information Governance service on our behalf:

Post: Information Governance Manager,
2 Franklin Street,
Belfast,
BT2 8DQ

Email: foi.bso@hscni.net

If, following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision making panel, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PCC has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act

You can contact Information Commissioner at:

Website: www.ico.org.uk
Phone: 0303 123 1113
Email: icocasework@ico.org.uk
Post: Information Commissioner's Office
3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place
Belfast
BT7 2JB

In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Yours Sincerely,

Carol Collins
Business Support Manager, PCC