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Request:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), for details of the following information:

1. Details of the lowest, highest and average fee hourly rates agreed with external suppliers of the following services for 2021/2022:
 - a. Domiciliary care services for the elderly in their own home.
Lowest £15.60
Highest £18.85
Average: It is not possible to calculate an average hourly rate because fixed rates are in place for the domiciliary care contract.
 - b. Domiciliary care services for adults under the age of 65 in their own home with specialist care needs such as learning disabilities, autism or physical disabilities.
Lowest £15.60
Highest £18.85
Average: It is not possible to calculate an average hourly rate because fixed rates are in place for the domiciliary care contract.

(Please note that for questions 1a and 1b, we do not require details of rates paid to individual suppliers, simply minimum, maximum and average rates payable.)

2. Details of the minimum, maximum and average amount agreed per night for sleep in shifts delivered to adults under the age of 65, with specialist care needs.
Sleep in rate for supported living is £95.79 per night
3. Details of the percentage increase in hourly fee rates (referred to the answers of points 1a. and 1b. above) which were awarded to the previous year's levels.
2%
4. Details of the number of hours provided in the week commencing 07 April 2021 for:
 - a. elderly domiciliary care; and
We're unable to extract the exact number of purchased hours for a specific 7 day time period. However, the planned hours were 2,992 hours
 - b. specialist care (incorporating mental health, learning disabilities, physical disabilities).
We're unable to extract the exact number of purchased hours for a specific 7 day time period. However, the planned hours were 7,903 hours
5. Of the hours listed in answer to question 4, please advise:

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- a. what percentage was delivered by the independent sector,
99.3
 - b. what percentage was delivered by the local authority, and
0.7%
 - c. what percentage was under direct payments/independent budgets.
we are unable to provide the hours delivered via a direct payment
6. Total cost in the week commencing 07 April 2021 of the care hours provided by independent providers of:
- a. Elderly domiciliary care; and
We're unable to extract costs for a specific 7 day time period from the information contained in the ledger. However, the expected cost if all planned hours were delivered would be £50,103
 - b. Specialist care (incorporating mental health, learning disabilities, physical disabilities)
We're unable to extract costs for a specific 7 day time period from the information contained in the ledger. However, the expected cost if all planned hours were delivered would be £136,439

NB: We're unable to extract the exact number of purchased hours or the exact costs for any specific time period that includes the dates requested. This is because all adults homecare expenditure is recorded as "Older People" in the ledger and is not separated into other categories such as Learning Disability and Physical Disability. It is also not possible to identify which of the costs/invoices are for clients who are over 65 and which aren't. In addition, actual costs of homecare provision are paid by invoice in line with the invoicing cycle (weekly/monthly/4 weekly etc) of each of the providers. Therefore, the data recorded in the ledger will only include provision that has been invoiced rather than provision that was actually delivered and would not provide a true reflection of actual hours purchased and/or actual costs.