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Dear Requestor

### **Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

On 29 April 2019 you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act, relating to patients sent out of area for mental health rehabilitation. I now provide this information as an attachment.

I trust that this is the information you require and that your request has been fully discharged.

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If you have queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

***Signature Removed***

**Paddy Baker**

Data Protection Officer

NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group

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**Q1:**

As of April 2019, how many NHS inpatient rehabilitation beds do you have in your local CCG area?

**Response:**

There were 38 NHS inpatient rehabilitation beds.

**Q2:**

As of April 2019, how many people are placed in an inpatient rehabilitation unit outside your local area?

**Response:**

There are 8 Mental Health Patients and 7 Learning Disability patients placed in an inpatient rehabilitation unit outside our local area.

**Q3:**

As of April 2019, of those patients placed out of area in inpatient rehabilitation units, how many are there appropriately because of their highly specialist needs?

**Response:**

100% of patients placed in out of area inpatient rehabilitation units are there because of highly specialist needs.

**Q4:**

Do you have a local strategy to minimise the use of out of area rehabilitation placements? If so, please provide brief details or attach a copy of any strategy to your response. This should include,

- a. How out of area placements are agreed in your area
- b. The process for reviewing anyone placed out of area (and potentially bringing them back to a local service)

**Response:**

NHS Dorset CCG currently do not have a strategy for out of area placements.

**Q5:**

Do you have a local community mental health rehabilitation team? If so, please briefly describe their remit, including the characteristics of the clients with whom they are commissioned to work (e.g. those in local high supported accommodation, those returning from an out of area placement etc.)

**Response:**

NHS Dorset CCG do not as yet have a local community rehab team. People living in the community are currently supported by the AOT (assertive outreach teams) and the homeless health service. Our rehabilitation pathway is currently under review.

**Q6:**

How many local mental health rehabilitation beds have been decommissioned in your CCG area in the last five years and how many local beds do you plan to decommission in future?

**Response:**

No NHS mental health rehab beds have been decommissioned in the last 5 years. The rehabilitation service is currently under review and we are therefore unable to comment on the bed model in the future at this point.