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Dear Requestor

Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

On 8 August 2019 you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act, relating to assessments undertaken for NHS Continuing Healthcare. 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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Between 1 January 2017 to 31 July 2019:

Q1A:

How many NHS continuing healthcare assessments (Decision Support Tools or fast track assessments) were undertaken;

Response:

1799 (this figure includes all DST's including those received from external practitioners and as a result of Fast Track assessments at 12 weeks).

Q1B:

How many of the above assessments recommended eligibility for NHS continuing healthcare.

Response:

233 (this figure includes eligible decisions made via Appeals/Retros).

Q1C:

How many of the above eligible recommendations were overturned or granted by the CCG.

Response:

NHS Dorset CCG does not hold this information as the data is not captured on our systems.

NB: Data reflects 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2019 as available via quarterly NHSE returns.