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Request and Response:

Please could you answer the following questions with regard to your services for Specialist Residential placements for Adults and Children with the following:

Acquired Brain Injury, Autism, Neurological Conditions, Challenging Behaviour, Physical Disability and Mental Health.

1. How do you currently make referrals for Specialist Residential Placements as denoted above?

Adult Social Care:

Referrals are made to specialist residential providers via our Brokerage team following a request from the social work team to source a placement.

Together for Families:

Short breaks panel is held every month looking at referral to the three short breaks for Children's Social Care and the three short breaks that are commissioned by the Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group (NHS).

Requests for specialist residential placements are discussed with the Head of Service for Disabled Children & Therapy Services (DCTS) via the Team Manager for the 3 area DCTS Teams. We have one 4 bed residential home that offer long term placements for disabled children and young people who communicate through challenging behaviours.

If an out of county placement is needed, a referral is made to the Placement Hub who follow the commissioning framework to source appropriate placements with independent providers.

2. Do you currently source Specialist Residential Placements out of county?

Adult Social Care:

If there is not a suitable vacancy in County that would meet the needs of the person then consideration would be given to source a suitable placement out of county but this would be in discussion with the family and the person.

Together for Families:

Yes. We source children and young people's specialist residential placements outside of Cornwall when required.

3. Please provide the Name, Telephone and Email address of the person who would make referrals for the services above

Adult Social Care:

Residential Brokerage Team
ResidentialBrokerage@cornwall.gov.uk
0300 1234 132 – Opt 2

Together for Families:

All Heads of Service in Children and Family Services are responsible for these decisions and any opportunity for placements are put on Due North where all the information on contract can be found.
<https://procontract.due-north.com/Register>

4. Do providers need to be on a Framework, AQP, APL, DPS to obtain referrals?

Adult Social Care:

Cornwall Council has an Interim Care Homes Contract and providers that have signed this will be given priority over those that have not.

Together for Families:

Providers do need to be on Cornwall's Dynamic Purchasing System in order to receive referrals as from April 2020. Up until April 2020 we spot purchase such services if providers are not currently on our framework. The

above link provides information about how to apply to join the framework for children's placements.

5. If the answer to Q4 is yes then please provide details of how to be included on the necessary Framework, AQP, APL, DPS etc.

Adult Social Care:

Information about the Interim Care Homes contract by visiting the care homes webpage at <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/adult-commissioning-and-transformation/care-home-services/>

Together for Families:

Please access Due North where all the information regarding the dynamic purchasing system and how to apply to join the framework for children's placements.

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

6. Do you have a fixed charge rates for Specialist Residential Placements and if Yes please advise what your charge rate is.

Adult Social Care:

No, we do not have a fixed rate this is calculated using the Care Cubed Care Funding Calculator based on the needs of the person if the person has 20 hours of 1:1 or greater.

If the person has less than 20 hours 1:1 then the 1:1 is costed at £15.99 per hour then added to the most appropriate Usual Maximum Price of £722.00 (residential)_£772.00 (Dementia) £802.00 (Nursing)

Together for Families:

We have a tiered model based on quality and price but not a fixed price. We are keen to ensure that placements for children are personalised to their individual needs.

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