

CONTINUING HEALTHCARE

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Application of Continuing Healthcare policy continues to be an active issue. NHS continuing healthcare is an ongoing package of health and social care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS where an individual is found to have a primary health need. Such care is provided to an individual aged 18 or over to meet needs that have arisen as a result of disability, accident or illness.

Current issues include:

The Public Accounts Committee report on Continuing Healthcare.

This report was issued in January 2018 and raised a number of concerns about CHC: [click here](#). The Government's response is awaited and may have a bearing upon how the policy is applied in LLR

The national framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS-funded nursing care

This framework sets out the principles and processes for deciding eligibility for CHC and was revised in February 2018: [click here](#)

The 2018 version of the national framework document and the associated tools will take effect on 1 October 2018. They will then supersede the 2012 versions.

LLR Settings of Care Policy

There has been controversy over the proposal to reduce the excess cut off point from 25% to 10%. East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group (ELRCCG) decided to make this reduction in July 2017. The other two CCGs carried out an impact assessment and at their respective CCGs in February decided to retain the 25% cut off. Patients in ELRCCG have not yet been notified of the change of policy.

For information