

Reference: FOI.ICB-2627/184

Subject: Continuing Healthcare (CHC) Funding Applications

I can confirm that the ICB does hold the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE							
For each calendar year from 2020 to 2026 inclusive , please provide:								
1. The number of Continuing Healthcare (CHC) funding applications considered by the Integrated Care Board (ICB) and, where applicable, its predecessor Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	Total Decisions on New CHC Applications (excludes those discounted before a decision on eligibility reached)	674	1008	993	1037	990	1059	752
2. The number of Continuing Healthcare funding appeals considered by the ICB and, where applicable, its predecessor CCG.		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	Appeal Applications Determined	19	41	43	35	25	48	26
3. Of those appeals, the number that were successful		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	Overtuned at Appeal (eligible)	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
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	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	
4. The number of unsuccessful appeals that were subsequently upheld following appeal to NHS England.	Upheld (not eligible) at IRP	<5	8	<5	<5	<5	6	7
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5. For the financial year 2025/26 , the total value of Continuing Healthcare funding awarded as a result of: a. successful appeals to the ICB (or predecessor CCG); and b. successful appeals to NHS England	a. Overturned Appeals in Financial Year 25/26 Total Value = £108,000 b. Overturned Independent Review Panels in Financial Year 25/26 Total Value = £70,000							

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 27 August 2026 and has been approved for release by Denise Moorhouse, Deputy Chief Nurse/Place Clinical Director (Safeguarding, SEND and Quality) for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.