



Continuing Healthcare (CHC)

What does Continuing Healthcare mean?

NHS Continuing Healthcare (NHS CHC) is the name given to a package of care which is arranged and funded solely by the NHS for people who have been found to have a 'primary health need'.

To qualify for NHS CHC the person must be aged 18 years or over and have needs that have arisen due to disability, accident or illness.

Primary Health needs are assessed using the National Framework for NHS Continuing Healthcare and NHS Funded Nursing Care, October 2018 (Revised).

People eligible for NHS CHC funding are provided with all of their Health, Social and Nursing care, free of charge.

Eligibility for NHS CHC is not dependent on a diagnosis, condition or particular disease.

People can be eligible for NHS CHC regardless of the setting or who provides the care. NHS CHC funding is not for life and is subject to regular review and reassessment of need.

Access & Support

NHS CHC should be considered for anyone in need of ongoing care and support from Health and Social Care services.

Wakefield Council employs 2 full time dedicated Continuing Healthcare Advisors who are available to offer individual support to Local Authority staff.

Training sessions are delivered throughout the year and both CHC Advisors can attend team meetings, as required.

Online training can be accessed via the intranet; factsheets are available to download and print off, as are a variety of NHS CHC documents.

Locations & Opening Hours

Paula Simpson & Donna Burnett (CHC Advisors) are currently based at Civic Centre, Castleford.

They can be contacted during normal office hours on either;

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