

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request concerning Budget for deaf/hearing impaired children.

The Trust can provide the following information:

Please see below

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Yours sincerely

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## Speech and Language Therapy

1. Please state the name(s), job title(s) and contact details of the person(s) completing this section

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 (working across Homerton University NHS Foundation Trust and Hackney Learning Trust)

2. Do you provide any **generic** speech and language therapy services that can be used by deaf/hearing impaired children?

Yes

a) If yes, please complete the below table stating what funding was allocated to speech and language therapy services that can be used by deaf/hearing impaired children in 2013/14, and what funding has been allocated for 2014/15?

If you do not hold a specific budget for deaf/hearing impaired children, please give figures for any of the overarching budgets these services are funded from, and state which service, team or departments this budget covers.

	2013/14	Who manages this budget? (please tick all that apply)	2014/15	Who manages this budget? (please tick all that apply)	If there has been a reduction, please explain
Net budget allocated	2,129,476	Health [ ] Local Authority [ ] Schools [ ]	2,181,936	Health [ ] Local Authority [ ] Schools [ ]	

(£)		Other (please state) [ ]		Other (please state) [ ]	
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3. Please can you specify in which local authority areas speech and language therapy services that deaf/hearing impaired children can access are commissioned and, if applicable, the names of the CCG(s) that commission this service:

Names of local authority areas	See above
Names of the CCG(s)	

4. Please complete the table below stating how many deaf/hearing impaired children were supported by your generic speech and language therapy service in 2013/14 and how many you plan to support in 2014/15?

	2013/14	2014/15
Number of deaf/hearing impaired children supported	Estimate 80-100	Estimate 80-100

5. Do you provide speech and language therapy services that **specialise in** working with deaf/hearing impaired children?

Yes

a) If yes, please complete the below table stating what funding was allocated to specialist speech and language therapy services for deaf/hearing impaired children in 2013/14, and what funding has been allocated for 2014/15?

	2013/14	Who manages this budget? (please tick all that apply)	2014/15	Who manages this budget? (please tick all that apply)	If there has been a reduction, please explain
Net budget allocated (£)	£47462	Health [ ] Local Authority [ ] Schools [ ] Other (please state) [ ]	£47462	Health [ ] Local Authority [ ] Schools [ ] Other (please state) [ ]	

6. Please can you specify in which local authority areas specialist speech and language therapy services for deaf children are commissioned and, if applicable, the names of the CCG(s) that commission this service:

Names of local authority areas	See above
Names of the CCG(s)	

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7. Please complete the table below stating how many deaf/hearing impaired children and young people were supported by your specialist speech and language therapy service in 2013/14 and how many you plan to support in 2014/15?

	2013/14	2014/15
Number of deaf children supported	21	20+

8. Do you provide speech and language therapy services for deaf/hearing impaired children:

- a) Jointly with local authority? Yes
- b) Through a school? Yes
- c) Through a children's centre or early years setting Yes
- d) In another way – please explain below

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9. Please complete the table below giving details of **budgeted staffing levels for**

**generic and/or specialist** speech and language therapy services for deaf/hearing impaired children in 2013/14 and 2014/15.

Please give answers as a full time equivalent figure (fte)

	2013/14 number of fte posts – <b>please state</b>	How many, if any, of these posts were	2014/15 number of fte posts – <b>please state</b>	How many, if any, of these posts will be vacant/ frozen
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	<b>how many of these are specialists in deafness</b>	vacant/ frozen in 2013/14?	<b>how many of these are specialists in deafness</b>	in 2014/15?
a) Speech and Language Therapists working with deaf/hearing impaired children <b>funded by health</b>	0			
b) Speech and Language therapist <b>Assistants</b> working with deaf/hearing impaired children <b>funded by health</b>	0.6	0	0.6	The post is funded up to 1.0 wte but there is not the demand of caseload in comparison to other areas of the service.
c) Speech and Language Therapists working with deaf/hearing impaired children <b>funded centrally by the local authority</b>	0			
d) Speech and	0			

Language Therapist <b>Assistants</b> working with deaf/hearing impaired children <b>funded centrally by the local authority</b>				
e) Speech and Language Therapists working with deaf/hearing impaired children <b>funded by a school</b>	0			
f) Speech and Language Therapist <b>Assistants</b> working with deaf/hearing impaired children <b>funded by a school</b>	0			

10. a) Please attach the eligibility criteria for deaf/hearing impaired children to be able to access your speech and language therapy service.

**b)** Has this criteria changed in the last 12 months?

No

**c)** If yes, please explain below:

**11.** Is speech and language therapy provided to families with deaf/hearing impaired children through the provision of direct payments/personal budgets?

No

**a)** If yes, how many families accessed direct payments/personal budgets for speech and language therapy in 2013/14?

**12.** With implementation of SEN reform planned for September 2014, we are also interested to know details of the budgeted spend for your generic and/or specialist speech and language therapy services for deaf/hearing impaired children and young people **aged 0-25** in 2014/15.



Please complete the table below:

	2014/15	Who manages this budget? (please tick all that apply)
Net budget allocated for <b>generic</b> speech and language therapy services for deaf/hearing impaired children and young people <b>aged 0-25</b> (£)	Same as above	Local Authority [ ] Health [ ] Schools [ ] Other (please state) [ ]
Net budget allocated for <b>specialist</b> speech and language therapy services for deaf/hearing impaired children and young people <b>aged 0-25</b> (£)	Same as above	Local Authority [ ] Health [ ] Schools [ ] Other (please state) [ ]