Request 1 - Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has undertaken an assessment of the provision of physiotherapy services in its locality.

Response 1 – NHS Rotherham has not recently undertaken an assessment of the provision of physiotherapy services in its locality.

*If confirmed*
   a. Please provide details and findings of any assessment

Request 2: Please confirm or deny if the PCT has undertaken an assessment of the outcomes delivered by providers of physiotherapy services in its locality.

Response 2 - NHS Rotherham has not recently undertaken an assessment of the outcomes delivered by providers of physiotherapy services in its locality.

*If confirmed*
   a. Please provide details and findings of any assessment.

Request 3: Please provide details of the number of referrals made by the PCT for patients to physiotherapy service for the following financial years: i) 2007/08, ii) 2008/09, iii) 2010/11 and iv) 2011/12

Response 3 - NHS Rotherham would not make referrals for patients to physiotherapy services.

Request 4: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has any referral management schemes for physiotherapy services.

Response 4 - Not at present.

*If confirmed*
   a. Please provide details of these schemes.
   b. Please confirm or deny if GPs are incentivised through any referral management scheme for physiotherapy services held by the PCT

Request 5: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has undertaken an assessment of a) the amount of time taken to refer a patient to a physiotherapist and b) the amount of time taken to refer a patient for a follow-up appointment to a physiotherapist.
Response 5 – Deny.

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details of the average time taken

Request 6: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT holds figures for the number of physiotherapists employed by the PCT.

Response 6 - Deny the PCT does not employ physiotherapists as we are a commissioner only organisation.

If confirmed
   a. Please provide details of the number of physiotherapists employed by the PCT in the following financial years: i) 2007/08, ii) 2008/09, iii) 2010/11 and iv) 2011/12

Request 7: Please provide details of the PCTs a) budget and b) spend for physiotherapy services in the following financial years: i) 2007/08, ii) 2008/09, iii) 2010/11, iv) 2011/12 and v) 2012/13.

Response 7 - This information would have been held by the PCT’s provider arm which is now provided by The Rotherham Foundation Trust and classed as commercially sensitive.

Request 8: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has details of the a) budget and b) spend for physiotherapy services by condition area.

Response 8 – Deny

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details of the PCTs a) budget and b) spend for physiotherapy services in the financial year: i) 2007/08, ii) 2008/09, iii) 2010/11, iv) 2011/12 and v) 2012/13, for the following condition areas: a) Parkinson’s, b) Multiple Sclerosis and c) Musculoskeletal conditions.

Request 9: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has found any efficiency savings in physiotherapy services over the following financial years: i) 2007/08, ii) 2008/09, iii) 2010/11 and iv) 2011/12.

Response 9 - Savings will be in line with national Tariff reductions.

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details of these savings for each of the financial years in question.

Request 10: Please confirm or deny if the PCT has allocated any budget to local pathfinder clinical commissioning groups to commission physiotherapy services.

Response 10 – Deny.

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details of these services.
b. Please provide details of how much has been allocated to each pathfinder clinical commissioning group for the financial year 2011/2

c. Please provide details of any monitoring arrangements of these services which are in place

Request 11: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has undertaken an assessment of the impact the any qualified provider model will have on the commissioning of community services from autumn 2011.

Response 11 – Deny.

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details and findings of any assessment

Request 12: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT has received any written guidance from a) the Department of Health b) their Strategic Health Authority on the commissioning of services under the any qualified provider model.

Response 12 - Guidance issued by DH Gateway Reference 16250 Title: Liberating the NHS: Greater Choice and Control, DH Gateway Reference 16242 Title: Operational Guidance to the NHS – Extending Patient Choice of Provider

Request 13: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT currently uses the ‘any qualified provider’ model for the delivery of community physiotherapy services.

Response 13 – Deny

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details of these services
   b. Please provide details and findings of any assessment the PCT has undertaken of these services

Request 14: Please confirm or deny whether the PCT intends to commission any community services under the any qualified provider model from autumn 2011.

Response – Deny

If confirmed:
   a. Please provide details of these services