

16 September 2022

**Your Request:**

I have contacted various Hospital Trusts within your area to try and find out who covers the various contracted patient movements, either in/out of hospitals or transfers between hospitals, this will include OPD appointments, Admissions, Transfers and discharges.

The Trusts have stated that the CCG procures the various patient transport requirements for them, can you please complete the below table for all the NHS Hospital Trusts within your CCG, for the various types of patient movements you procure? Please include specialist Ambulances, High Dependency transfers/movements, NEPTS, Renal and Taxi options.

NHS Hospital Trust	Contract providers Name	Transport service covered (cross out ones which do apply)	Contract end date	Contract length in years	Patient journeys per annum
		SA / HD / NEPTS / TS / R / MH			

**Table for abbreviations:**

**SA = Specialist Ambulance (including ECMO, Retrievals etc.)**

**HD = High Dependency Ambulance**

**NEPTS = Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services**

**TS = Taxi Service**

**R = Renal**

**MH = Mental Health Transport ( all categories)**

**Our Response:**

Please find listed below the information held in respect of contracted Patient Transport Services (PTS) at NHS Trusts in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB.

**Cheshire**

NHS Hospital Trust	Contract providers Name	Transport service covered (cross out ones which do apply)	Contract end date	Contract length in years	Patient journeys per annum
All Hospitals	West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (WMAS)	NEPTS	31/03/2024	5	Information not held*
	Congleton Communicare	NEPTS	31/03/2023	2 (with the option to extend for 1 year)	Approximately 350

	ERS Transition Ltd	NEPTS	31/03/2023	2 (with the option to extend for 18 months)	Approximately 2,000
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\*For information on a breakdown on individual patient journeys to specific individual NHS Hospital Trusts and the transport service type provided please contact WMAS directly via: [FOI@wmas.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI@wmas.nhs.uk)

### Halton

NHS Hospital Trust	Contract providers Name	Transport service covered (cross out ones which do apply)	Contract end date	Contract length in years	Patient journeys per annum
All Hospitals	Northwest Ambulance Services NHS Trust	SA / HD / NEPTS / TS / R / MH	2023	7	37,000

### Knowsley, Liverpool, South Sefton, Southport & Formby, St Helens

North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust (NWAS) are commissioned to provide patient transport services for patients to all NHS Hospital Trusts. The service is commissioned based on patient journey requirements, rather than by individual NHS Hospital Trust. The Patient Transport Service contract has an end date 30 June 2021 (owing to the Covid-19 pandemic this contract has been extended via a Tender Waiver process and the new expiry date is 1st April 2023). Between July 2021 and June 2022 there were a total of 265,833 patient journeys for the Merseyside region. For information on a breakdown on individual patient journeys to specific individual NHS Hospital Trusts and the transport service type provided please contact NWAS directly via: [foi.enquiries@nwas.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.enquiries@nwas.nhs.uk)

### Warrington

NHS Hospital Trust	Contract providers Name	Transport service covered (cross out ones which do apply)	Contract end date	Contract length in years	Patient journeys per annum
All Hospitals	West Midlands Ambulance Service University NHS Foundation Trust	NEPTS / R	2024	5	34,000
All Hospitals	Northwest Ambulance	SA / HD / TS / MH	2023	7	Unknown*

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### Wirral

NHS Hospital Trust	Contract providers Name	Transport service covered (cross out ones which do apply)	Contract end date	Contract length in years	Patient journeys per annum
All Hospitals	West Midlands Ambulance Service University NHS Foundation Trust	NEPTS	March 2023	2	52,831 in 2021/22
All Hospitals	Northwest Ambulance Services NHS Trust	PES / 111	September 2023	8	22,682 in 2021/22
All Hospitals	Prometheus	MH	September 2022	1	Information not held.