

Response to Request for Information

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ILF Assessments

Request:

Please could you answer the following questions with regards to the closure of the Independent Living Fund.

- 1) Will you be ring fencing the ILF money passed to you to :-
- a) Individual ILF Users.
- b) Adult Social Care.
- c) Not ring fence at all.
- b) The funding received will contribute to meeting Adult Social Care costs.
- 2) Have you received the details of how much money you are being allocated and if so how much is that.

Yes. £169,000 for Group 1 users and £615,000 for Group 2 users.

3) When will you be starting reassessments of ILF users and when do you anticipate completing those assessments.

About to be undertaken, with a completion date expected of 30/06/15.

4) What arrangements are you putting in place for those ILF users you have not reassessed by 30th June to continue funding their current ILF care packages until an assessment has been carried out.

Bearing in mind that many of these ILF users will not currently have Direct Payments set up with the Local Authority.

All reassessments should have been undertaken and completed.

5) Do you have contingency plans in case a change in Government at the forthcoming election alters the ILF funding situation?

No. Our approach is to Manage and Administer in an expedient fashion, based upon current facts and policies. 'Second Guessing' political elections and policies would not be a 'sound basis' upon which to commence contingency planning at this level of service delivery.