

## Policy 29 – NHS Funding (Northern Ireland)

**Owner:** Corporate Affairs Team

**Subject:** NHS Funding - (Guidelines in relation to FFCHC are not applicable in Northern Ireland.)

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### Northern Ireland

**This Policy is from the previous ILF organisation's (ILF UK) Continuing Healthcare policy.**

#### **1.0 Continuing Healthcare in Northern Ireland**

Details of arrangements in relation to continuing healthcare in Northern Ireland are contained in a Circular issued by DHSSPS- Circular ECCU 1/2010: at paragraph 17-“Care management, Provision of Services and Charging Guidance”.

<https://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/dhssps/hsc-eccu-1-2010.pdf>

Paragraph 17 - “The distinction between health and social care needs is complex and requires a careful appraisal of each individual’s needs. In this context, it is for clinicians, together with other health and social care professional colleagues and in consultation with the service user, his/her family and carers, to determine through a comprehensive assessment of need whether an individual’s primary need is for healthcare or for personal social services. In the latter case, the service user may be required to pay a means tested contribution.”

#### **2.0 Reviewed**

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