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Date: 27/03/2025 **Sent by email:**

Dear Sir/Madam

Ref: B-Inflationary Uplifts for 2025/26

Please be aware NHS Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has agreed the inflationary uplift for existing packages from 1 April 2025 as follows.

The packages in scope of this letter include:

- Continuing Healthcare packages
- Section 117 Aftercare packages

The packages out of scope of this letter include:

- Packages which are excluded due to the short-term funding process including fast track packages, discharge to assess, acquired brain injury funding or any elements of short-term funding that are reimbursed at cost.
- 1-1 provision which is agreed as short-term funding for NHS continuing healthcare funded requests from Care Homes
- Funded Nursing Care which are excluded due to nationally agreed rates determined by the Department of Health.
- Packages commissioned by the local authority under a framework agreement.

The intention of the ICB is to ensure there is a balance between the rate of inflation that all organisations are experiencing and the availability of allocation within the ICB. This is in line with NHS national planning guidance and is the basis of how the ICB is funded.

For packages that are in place on 31 March 2025, the ICB will apply a **6% uplift** from 1 April 2025.





Appeal process

Please be aware there is an appeal process in place for the ICB to support the marketplace. This allows the marketplace an opportunity to submit an appeal against the standard ICB uplift by sharing an open book approach of current expenditure using ICB Costing Templates. The ICB will consider any appeal which is submitted by the end of the first quarter (end of June 2025). Any appeal received after this date will roll forward into the new financial year, from 1 April 2026.

Payment Process

If payment is received by your organisation using an automated system payment, described as Scheduled Payment or Automated Payment file, then the 2025/26 inflationary uplift will be included in the automated payment. No action will be required from the provider organisation for this.

If payment is received by your organisation using a submission of invoices, then please submit invoices including the agreed 2025/26 inflationary uplift via your usual method.

Please be aware invoices cannot be processed for payment if uplifts which are not agreed by the ICB have been applied. The ICB is unable to part pay an invoice, therefore, any invoice including an inflationary uplift which has NOT been agreed by the ICB will need to be credited from the system and reissued with the agreed inflationary uplift.

The ICB is committed to building a sustainable marketplace for both commissioners and providers. There is a renewed focus on market engagement including continuous improvement for communication and commissioning with all providers across the system.

In the meantime, if you have any further queries regarding inflationary uplifts on behalf of your organisation, then please share with the below email address.

Market Queries email address: hnyicb-voy.marketqueries@nhs.net





Yours faithfully

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For further information, please use the following options

Market Queries Email: hnyicb-voy.marketqueries@nhs.net

Market Queries Website: https://humberandnorthyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk/continuing-healthcare-and-section-117-aftercare/