

Is there anything I can't spend my budget on?

- Anything illegal
- Health assessments
- Prescription medicines
- Primary medical services provided by GP's
- Purchasing goods or services which do not meet agreed outcomes
- Statutory acute or community healthcare
- Urgent or emergency treatments or admissions to hospital

Who can help me plan my support?

- clinical case manager
- friends and family
- support brokers

What if I'm unable to look after the money myself?

A family member or someone you trust can support you, or you could choose to have your funding managed by a Support Broker / Direct Payment Support Service.

What happens if I don't spend the money?

We will regularly look at how you are spending your money to make sure the funding is correct and meeting your needs. Towards the end of a year a full audit will be undertaken. Any money you do not use will be returned to NHS Bury CCG.

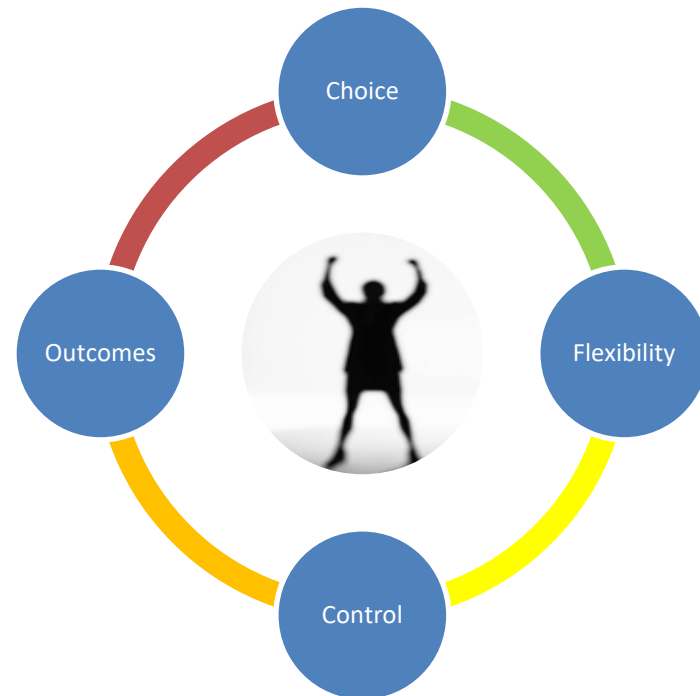
For more information:

If you are eligible for NHS CHC and are interested in a Personal Health Budget contact the CHC team on 0161 762 1643 who will advise you on next steps.

For all other PHB enquiries please contact:

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Personal Health Budgets



What is a 'Personal Health Budget'?

A Personal Health Budget (PHB) is an amount of money provided by your CCG to purchase the care and support you need to meet your assessed health and well-being needs.

The care you purchase must meet your health outcomes (a way to measure how well your health is maintained or improved) which will be agreed with your Community Nurse or Clinical Case Manager.

Through having a PHB you will have more flexibility in how you meet your assessed needs and achieve your health outcomes.

You will have more control over your care, enabling you to co-ordinate it in a way which supports your lifestyle and well-being.

Why is a Personal Health Budget different?

The aim of a personal health budget is to give you more control and flexibility over how your healthcare and well-being needs are met. These will be identified in your personal support plan. This plan will be centred around you and will be agreed by you, and your Clinical Commissioning Group.

You will be take the lead in developing your support plan and setting out how you would like your outcomes to be achieved and who you want to help you achieve them.

How can I receive and manage my budget?

There are a number of ways you can do this:

Direct Payments- the budget is held by you in a dedicated bank account. You can then use this to buy the support agreed in your support plan.

You must keep evidence of what you have used your budget for as this will be audited by the CCG. You will hold responsibility for managing the services you have bought. If you choose to use personal assistants, you will be the employer with support from a Direct Payment support service where required.

Notional Budget - The CCG will tell you how much is in your budget and explains what services are available to you so that you can then agree how you want this to be used to meet your health outcomes. This money will still be held by the CCG and they will pay for the services used.

Third Party Budget - This is where a CQC registered provider (third party) holds the money for you and helps you decide what you need to meet your health outcomes. After you have agreed this with the CCG, the provider buys the care and support you have chosen and they become the employer.

You may wish to use a combination of these.

Who can have a Personal Health Budget?

You will be eligible for a PHB if you are;

- Eligible for Children's Continuing Care funding
- Eligible for Continuing Healthcare funding and living in your own home
- People with a Mental Health condition in receipt of S117 funding (from December 2019)
- Personal Wheelchair Budgets (from December 2019)

We are also looking at PHB options in other areas;

- Learning disabilities or autism
- Children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC)