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Freedom of Information request – Care contracts and payments

Your request to SEEDA is:

I would like to know:

- 1) The names of those Domiciliary Care (Home Care) Agencies, Fostering Agencies and Independent Children's Homes that have current contracts to supply you (both block and spot contracts)*
- 2) The average time, over the past three months, within which you actually pay these care organisations after they have submitted invoices to you for work completed.*

Please note: I am seeking the actual time taken to pay, not the time that is stipulated in the contract between yourselves and the care provider. For the purposes of this please exclude any invoices under dispute or that require further clarification.

Information requested

SEEDA does not have any contracts with Domiciliary Care (Home Care) Agencies, Fostering Agencies and Independent Children's Homes and therefore does not hold the information you have requested. We suggest that you should direct your request to the county councils in the South East. A list can be found at:

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DI1/Directories/Localcouncils/index.htm>.