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To: Regional Directors  
Regional Directors of Assurance and Delivery  
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Dear Colleagues

**RE: Children and Adolescent Mental Health services (CAMH) Transformation  
Guidance Publication**

Following our initial communication on 3 August 2015 about the publication of the guidance for the CAMH transformation plans, there has been some confusion on the exact funding allocation to regions to support the assurance process.

The purpose of this letter is to clarify the funding and support available to regions from the CAMH programme budget:

A total of £1,071,555 has been divided equally between the 4 regions. This is to secure additional capacity to support the assurance of CCG plans. Each regions funding equates to the equivalent of 1 WTE Band 8B per DCO, i.e. 12 WTE for 15/16 and 6 WTE for 16/17.

The breakdown of this funding by region is as follows:

- £153,080 15/16
- £114,810 16/17

This equates to a total allocation by region of £267,890 over the 2 year period.

This is to enable you to use this resource in support of your existing arrangements and in addition to other forms of support available including the knowledge and expertise from Strategic Clinical Networks (SCNs), specialist commissioning and the national policy team.

This funding is separate to any discussions between Strategic Clinical Networks and the CYP MH team at NHS England.

I hope this has clarified the situation.

Yours faithfully

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