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Request reference: FOI/002866

Response date: 08/08/2014

Request:

Could you please provide by return email, all information pertaining to:

Details of the Trusts spend on Agency Workers over the last 12 months, relating to Occupational Therapy services

Details of the Trusts spend on Agency Workers over the last 12 months, relating to Paediatric Occupational Therapy services

I would like the above information to be provided to me as electronic copies.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002867

Response date: 27/08/2014

Request:

1. How much does it cost, on average, to treat a patient with Punctate Inner Choroidopathy (PIC)?
2. In the last 12 months how many patients have been diagnosed with PIC and had their treatment funded by you?
3. In the last 12 months how many patients have been diagnosed with PIC and have self funded their treatment?
4. In the last 5 years how many patients have been diagnosed with PIC and had their treatment funded by you?
5. In the last 5 years how many patients have been diagnosed with PIC and have self funded their treatment?
6. On average, how long does it take for a person who is diagnosed with PIC to begin treatment, including the time for any appeals?

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002868

Response date: 29/08/2014

Request:

We would like to request the following QIPP savings information from Dudley CCG:

1. What is the Total QIPP Saving planned for 2014/15 (all schemes)?
2. Does the CCG have a QIPP Scheme/Project for the following areas and if so, what is the planned saving for each scheme/project:

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QIPP Scheme/Project 2014/15 Planned Saving for 2014/15

Dermatology Yes/No

Psoriasis Yes/No

Rheumatology Yes/No

Rheumatoid Arthritis Yes/No

3. Please can you provide a copy of your 2014/15 QIPP Plan or relevant documents detailing your local QIPP schemes/projects for 2014/15.

Request for Re-use

If your organisation does hold this information and is in a position to pass it on, then I would like to submit the following request for re-using the information:-

We (Cegedim Relationship Management) request permission to re-use on our database the information received as a result of this request. This is a commercial database used by pharmaceutical companies with all publication details staying true to the publisher.

Response

Request reference: FOI/002890

Response date: 19/08/2014

Request:

Please provide the following information using the codes and details provided and please submit it on the spreadsheet provided (attached above)

1. The number of children, and their ages, admitted during the past 5 calendar years (1st January 2009 to 31st December 2013 and this year to date, 2014) that had malnutrition.

In this request please consider 'children' to mean any patient age under 17 on the day of admission regardless of specialty.

As the numbers are likely to be small, please indicate which age band the patient falls into at date of admission using:

0-4 yrs

5-8 yrs

9-12 yrs

13-16 yrs

Please provide the total number of episodes per spell and then the individual episode number with the ICD10 codes and main OPCS code.

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To identify qualifying admissions please consider ALL episodes in the spell and give details for all episodes not just those in which the relevant code may have appeared.

In this request please use ONLY the code set and guidelines provided in order to identify these admissions (spells) / individuals.

Code set = ICD-10 codes:

E40.X
E41.X
E42.X
E43.X
E44.0/1
E46.X

Please exclude any admission (spell) / individual where one or more of these codes appear in the same spell as any of the following codes:

K90.- / B22.2 / F50.- / R63.0

In order for us to identify the total number of patients involved please either identify each DIFFERENT patient using a unique ID (e.g. 1,2,3...A1,A2,A3...) on the spreadsheet provided OR provide separate information as follows:

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014

Number of admissions with code in any position age 0-4

Number of admissions with code in any position age 5-8

Number of admissions with code in any position age 9-12

Number of admissions with code in any position age 13-16

Total number of admissions with code in any position

Number of individuals with code in primary position in any episode age 0-4

Number of individuals with code in primary position in any episode age 5-8

Number of individuals with code in primary position in any episode age 9-12

Number of individuals with code in primary position in any episode age 13-16

Total number of individuals with code in primary position in any episode

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002891

Response date: 03/09/2014

Request:

1. Please list all contracts for clinical services awarded since April 2013
2. For each contract, please indicate which of these options describes the service:
 - a) a primary care service

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- b) a secondary care service
- c) a tertiary care service
- d) a community-based service
- e) a mental health service
- f) another type of service

3. Please state the name of the provider awarded each contract

4. For each contract, please indicate which of these options describes the provider awarded the contract:

- a) NHS provider
- b) private company
- c) social enterprise
- d) other

5. Please provide a list of all shortlisted bidders for each contract

6. If applicable, please state the name of the previous provider of each service for each contract

7. Please state the value of each contract

8. Please state the length of each contract

9. Please state the cost of carrying out the procurement for each contract

10. Please indicate which one of these statements applies to each contract

- a) The service is co-terminus with the CCG area
- b) The service covers only part of the CCG area (if this statement applies, please state which GP practice areas are covered by each service), or
- c) The service covers more than one CCG (If this statement applies, please state how many CCG areas are covered for each service)

Response

Request reference: FOI/002902

Response date: 03/09/2014

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with the following information:

For each year from 2003 - 2013:

- 1. Total annual number of legal claims involving warfarin
- 2. Your organisation's CNST excess

Claims referred to NHSLA

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3. Number of claims involving warfarin referred to NHSLA
4. Cost of these claims to your organisation (settlements and costs)

Claims responded to in-house

5. Total annual number of claims involving warfarin dealt with in-house
6. Number of these claims settled within excess
7. Number of open claims not yet proceeding

Risk register

8. Total number of risks on your risk register associated with warfarin or anticoagulant monitoring services
9. The nature of these risks
10. The grading of these risks

Response

Request reference: FOI/002905

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

Please find below a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. Does your clinical commissioning group have within its governing body a member who has an interest or specialism in, or leads on cancer?
2. If yes, could you please provide us with their name(s)?
3. What initiative(s) do your clinical commissioning group have in place to coordinate, commission and deliver cancer awareness campaigns and other primary care activity to support early diagnosis?

Response

Request reference: FOI/002906

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

(1) Does your CCG commission counselling and psychotherapy services? Will you list which providers are providing it (if unable to do so, can you state whether you commission any providers which aren't NHS trusts)?

(2) If so, does the commissioning contract specify that all counsellors and psychotherapists employed by the provider must be accredited members of an appropriate or relevant professional body; or have you been given an assurance to this effect through other means? If so, could you list these bodies? Are any of the bodies the CCG deems appropriate or relevant not on the Accredited Voluntary Register (AVR)?

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(3) If the CCG does have such a specification, can you thus provide assurance that none of the Providers you commission employ practitioners who are not accredited with professional bodies which are on the AVR? If you do not have such a specification, can you confirm that you are unable to provide such an assurance?

Response

Request reference: FOI/002914

Response date: 08/09/2014

Request:

Please can you provide details for your CCG of the number of prescriptions made out by GPs/nurse practitioners for a) anti-depressants and b) mindfulness based interventions to treat depression in the year covering 2013/14.

2) Please can you also provide the estimated patient population of the CCG in 2013/14.

Response

Request reference: FOI/002921

Response date: 22/08/2014

Request:

We are trying to ascertain the change in the numbers of cases of endocarditis secondary to viridans streptococci in the UK since the introduction of NICE clinical guideline 64.

Unfortunately, hospital clinical coding data does not allow us to specify endocarditis caused by viridans streptococci.

As a surrogate marker we are attempting to calculate the change in the number of patients with a positive blood culture for viridans streptococci since the 1st January 2000.

We would be grateful if you could provide a list of all blood cultures that have grown viridans streptococci since January 1st 2000.

We would like the following data for each blood culture

1. Patient identifier -

This should be a unique identifier to your hospital, allowing us to identify when a patient at your hospital has had more than 1 positive culture over time, to ensure we do not double count data. It should not allow us to identify the patient in any way. It could be as simple as a number such as 1,2 etc.

2. Date of positive blood culture(s)

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Day/month/year

3. Type of viridans streptococcus

E.g. S. viridans, S. oralis

4. More than 1 set of blood cultures positive?

Yes/no/don't know

5. Endocarditis confirmed?

Yes/no/don't know

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002922

Response date: 22/08/2014

Request:

I am emailing to enquire whether your hospital offers any work experience placements and if so in what area would it be. I am currently in my final year at sixth form and hoping to go to university to study occupational therapy and i believe having experience in a hospital would set me out on the right track. Looking forward to hearing back from you.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002926

Response date: 03/09/2014

Request:

I am emailing you as a trust believed to have a Type 1 A+E department. If this is not the case please could you reply to me immediately so that I can delete your from this working list of hospital trusts and accept my apologies for emailing you in mistake.

If you do, indeed, have a Type 1 A+E department, I am sending this request under the Freedom of Information Act to ask for the following information:

- 1) How many consultant and senior registrar posts staff your A+E department and how many of those posts were vacant in the last full quarter - April-June 2014?
- 2) What was the average percentage of consultant and senior registrar posts in your A+E filled by non-substantive staff in the last full quarter - April - June 2014?
- 3) What was the total spend on non-substantive consultant and senior registrar staff in your A+E department in the last full quarter - April - June 2014?

[Response](#)

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Request reference: FOI/002930

Response date: 03/09/2014

Request:

For question 1 where you have said you are unable to provide the information requested can I ask if you would be able to provide who are the top 3 trusts you refer patients to for Rheumatology? And, if the information is available to you, are you able to confirm which tariff those trusts would use (Payments by results Tariff or EIA tariff)?

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002942

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

Under FOI legislation, could you please provide me with financial information relating to the: costs of face to face interpreting services costs of telephone interpreting services costs of written translation services

I would appreciate it if you could send all of the above information for the last 2 financial years, the current year and budget for next year?

I would be grateful if you could provide information that includes:

1. The annual cost for each of the services
2. Breakdown of the top 10 most popular languages
3. Details of your current provider(s) (company name, date contract was awarded)
4. Spend per language service provider (LSP)
5. When are your current language service contracts with your LSPs due to end?
6. Where do you advertise your face to face interpreting/telephone interpreting/translation contracts?
7. Name, addresses and contact point(s) for your Procurement Department responsible for awarding Interpreting and Translation contracts.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002943

Response date: 04/09/2014

Request:

Please provide the details of the person(s) responding to the request below.

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Contact Details

Name:

Job title:

Clinical Commissioning Group:

Telephone number:

Email address:

Information requested

Children's involvement in health service planning and commissioning

Please provide the following information:

1. What mechanisms does the Clinical Commissioning Group have in place for the regular consultation of children on the provision of healthcare services?
2. How many times has the Clinical Commissioning Group consulted with children on the provision of healthcare services since April 2012?
3. On what health issues have children's views been collected by the CCG since April 2012?

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002952

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

I should like to request the following information relating to your CCG's contracts for delivering hearing assessment and hearing aid fitting.

Other than AQP, does the CCG have any other contracts in place with local hospitals or other bodies for providing these services? If other contracts are in place could you please provide details of what type of contract you have (eg block contract) and when the non-AQP contracts are due to expire.

I should prefer to receive these in electronic format at this email address, however, I am happy to receive them by post if that is more convenient.

[Response](#)

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Request reference: FOI/002953

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

Implementation of NICE Technology Appraisal Guidance (TAG)

I am writing on behalf of Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) to access information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This request relates to our work around preventing avoidable sight loss.

Please note that this request relates to secondary care ophthalmology services commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups.

Many thanks in advance for your assistance.

1. Access to NICE approved treatments in ophthalmology

Are the treatments listed below routinely available to patients according to their NICE TAG?

Please could you indicate by putting a cross in the applicable box below and sending the table back to RNIB? Confirmation means that patients do not have to use Individual Funding Requests to access these treatments.

Please tick relevant boxes:

Yes No

Aflibercept for treating visual impairment caused by macular oedema secondary to central retinal vein occlusion ? ?

Fluocinolone acetonide intravitreal implant for treating chronic diabetic macular oedema after an inadequate response to prior therapy ? ?

Ranibizumab for treating choroidal neovascularisation associated with pathological myopia ? ?

Ocriplasmin for treating vitreomacular traction ? ?

Aflibercept solution for injection for treating wet age-related macular degeneration ? ?

Ranibizumab for treating visual impairment caused by macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion ? ?

Ranibizumab for treating diabetic macular oedema (rapid review of technology appraisal guidance 237) ? ?

2. Commissioning policies

Please could you send RNIB your commissioning policies on the treatment of the conditions listed below? Please indicate the review date of these policies.

Wet age-related macular degeneration

Macular oedema caused by retinal vein occlusion

Diabetic macular oedema

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Choroidal neovascularisation associated with pathological myopia

Vitreomacular traction

3. Minutes from board meetings

Please could you send RNIB minutes of any board meetings at which you discussed and developed the commissioning policies for these conditions?

Please could you acknowledge receipt of this request by email? We would be very grateful if you could also send your full response by email. If you are a Clinical Support Unit, please provide information for each CCG that you cover. Links to the NICE guidelines on these treatments have been copied below my email signature.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002961

Response date: 30/09/2014

Request:

Our request is as follows:

1. Do you commission a 24/7 dedicated and clinically staffed palliative service specifically designed for patients dying at home, and their carers? Yes/No

2. Please complete the table (see the second attachment to this email) detailing which specific palliative services you commission, the hours of operation and geographic areas that they cover for 2014-15.

NB. For the purposes of our research, we would only consider you to commission these palliative services listed in the table if they are specifically designed for patients dying, and their carers, as opposed to a more general service that might only incidentally cover end of life care.

3. What is your annual budget for all dedicated end of life care services commissioned for the current financial year, 2014-2015? If it is impossible for you to give a precise figure for whatever reason, please give a best estimate.

4. What is this as a % of your total budget? Again, if you cannot give a precise figure here, please give a best estimate.

5. Do you have a lead provider that works in partnership to deliver the services?

If yes, state who the lead provider is.

Concluding remarks

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We would ask you to please you keep within the 20 day time limit, that is, by 10th September. If you require 40 days to meet the request, we respectfully ask you to ensure you keep within that limit. We do appreciate that your resources are limited and we are grateful for your time.

We do not anticipate that any exemptions will apply, but if you consider otherwise, please carefully note the public interest in favour of disclosure and specify the precise reasons for your refusal.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002963

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

I would like details of your current out-of-hours staffing levels for GPs.

I would like to know how many GPs are providing 'out of hours' each day of the week and what time shifts they are working. I.e. what is the level of GP cover during out of hours times?

I would like the figures clearing showing the time period and the number of GPs working who are covering your area.

Please identify, where necessary, if/when the out-of-hour GP(s) are also covering a neighbouring CCG area - and what area(s) that is.

I would also like to know your definition of out of hours.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002964

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act please.

- 1) How many cystectomy operations were performed in your Trust because of ketamine abuse in the last three calendar years?
- 2) How many cystoplasty (bladder augmentation) operations were performed because of ketamine abuse in the last three calendar years?
- 3) Please give figures for the total number of patients treated in hospital for problems related to ketamine abuse.

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If answering the third question would take longer than the reasonable time limit please prioritise the first and second question and disregard the third.

I am outlining my query as specifically as possible, if however this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me. I would like to receive the response by email please.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002971

Response date: 09/09/2014

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would like your organisation to complete our survey, please click on the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/W8P5LZ7>

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002973

Response date: 22/09/2014

Request:

I am writing in regards to the Spend Over £25,000 that is currently published on the following website: <http://www.dudleyccg.nhs.uk/publication-scheme/>

I am looking to obtain the following files, can you email me a copy of them or advise when they will be available on your site?

September 2013 (the file that is on website above seems to be same data as August 2013)

If you have any queries regarding the above please let me know.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002974

Response date: 08/09/2014

Request:

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I am writing to obtain information about the amount your organisation pays to the Confederation of British Industry and its subsidiaries.

Please provide the amount paid to the CBI (and its regional subsidiaries)

(a) in membership fees

(b) fees for one off conferences or other events and

(c) fees paid to the CBI for any other services.

Please make clear if the response includes payments from any Non-Departmental Public Bodies, Executive Agencies etc which fall under the department and please provide a breakdown of what payments came from which agency/body.

Please provide this information for the period 2009-2014 set out by calendar or financial year.

If you are unable to provide all of this information within the time/cost limit please work up to the limit focusing on membership fees."

Response

Request reference: FOI/002986

Response date: 10/09/2014

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with the following information:

For each year from 2003 - 2013:

Legal claims involving warfarin

1. Total annual number of legal claims involving warfarin
2. The details of these cases
3. How many of these cases were forwarded to professional indemnity associations
4. Which indemnity associations were notified

Incident reports involving warfarin

5. Total annual number of reports involving warfarin reported through your incident reporting scheme
6. The details of these incidents

I understand that under the Act I am entitled to a response within 20 working days of your receipt of this request. Some parts of the request may be easier to answer than others. Should this be the case, I request that you release information as soon as possible.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific

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exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all non-exempt material. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to charge excessive fees.

I would prefer to receive the information electronically.

[Response](#)