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Request reference: FOI/001869**Response date:** 03/02/2014**Request:**

1. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has made an assessment of prevalence of i) atrial fibrillation, ii) deep vein thrombosis and iii) pulmonary embolisms in your area

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the assessment

2. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG commissions an anticoagulation service

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the commissioning arrangements, including whether it is through i) block contract or ii) payment by results

b. If confirmed, is your service located in i) primary ii) secondary care iii) in both primary and secondary care

3. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG commissions an anticoagulation service under the Any Qualified Provider model

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the commissioning arrangements

4. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has made an assessment of the number of people using anticoagulation services in your area

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the assessment

5. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has made an assessment of i) the total costs ii) the per patient costs of anticoagulation services in your area

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the assessments

6. Please confirm or deny whether the CCG has an agreement in place for enhanced service delivery of anticoagulation services

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the enhanced service agreement

7. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has a protocol for i) nonvalvular atrial fibrillation ii) deep vein thrombosis iii) pulmonary embolism

a. If confirmed, please provide the protocols

8. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG collects data on the experience of patients using anticoagulation services

a. If confirmed, please provide details

9. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG collects data on the quality of anticoagulation services in your area

a. If confirmed, please provide details of the quality measures that you use

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10. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has completed the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) commissioning and budgeting tool for anticoagulation services

a. If confirmed, please provide details

11. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has made an assessment of NHS England's Catalogue of potential innovations

a. If confirmed, please provide details including those innovations which are being adopted in your area

12. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has made an assessment of the innovations i) 'New oral anti-coagulants' and ii) 'Treatment of DVT and PE' in NHS England's Catalogue of potential innovations

a. If confirmed, please provide details including how those innovations are being adopted in your area

13. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has made an assessment of the need to reconfigure anticoagulation services in the light of developments in treatment

a. If confirmed, please provide details of that assessment

14. Please confirm or deny whether your CCG has plans to reconfigure anticoagulation services in the light of developments in treatment

a. If confirmed, please provide details of those plans

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/001881

Response date: 03/02/2014

Request:

1) Does your CCG commission an anticoagulation service?

If **yes**, please answer a, b and c. If **no**, go to question 2.

- a. Please provide further details of the commissioning arrangements, including whether it is delivered through i) a block contract or ii) payment by results.
- b. Is the service located in i) primary care ii) secondary care or iii) in both primary and secondary care?
- c. Has the anticoagulation service been reviewed? If so when?

2) Does your CCG allow people on long-term warfarin the opportunity to

- a. Self-manage their condition?
- b. Self-test their condition?

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- 3) Does your CCG policy on self-monitoring differ depending on a person's condition and the reason for anticoagulation? e.g. those who have a heart valve, under 18 or those with Atrial Fibrillation (AF)?
- 4) If your CCG does not allow people on long-term warfarin to self-monitor, is there a particular reason? Please state the reason(s)
- 5) Does your CCG publish any guidelines/ guidance around self-monitoring?

If **yes**, please answer a, b and c. If **no**, go to question 6.

- a. When the guidelines/guidance around self-monitoring last were reviewed?
 - b. What timeframe do your guidelines/guidance cover? i.e. 1 year, 2 years etc.
 - c. When will they next be reviewed?
- 6) What is your CCG's policy regarding prescribing of test strips for people who self-monitor INR?
- a. Test strips are available to patients by NHS prescription
 - b. Test strips are available on private prescription only
 - c. Test strips are available to patients by NHS prescription up to a certain limit (please specify limit); thereafter, the patient must pay for them privately.
- 7) Does your CCG offer any support to people who would like to find out more information about self-monitoring e.g. leaflets, written information, how to access an anticoagulation nurse? If so, please describe.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/001897

Response date: 05/02/2014

Request:

Current waiting list times for Endoscopy procedures in line with Jag guidelines
Number of endoscopy sessions run weekly and how many theatres available
Current Substantive and Locum Staffing levels for both Doctor, Nurses and non Clinical Staff
Do you use temporary staff
If so, Spend on Locums in the last 12 Months
Staffing agencies used in 12 month and average cost per procedure/hour
What measure are taken to ensure quality of staff employed on a Locum/Temporary basis

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/001899

Response date: 10/02/2014

Request:

1. What was the cumulative number of applications for continuing care during the last fiscal year and
2. Of these how many please were approved for Continuing Care?

[Response](#)

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Request reference: FOI/001902

Response date: 05/02/2014

Request:

Please confirm or deny if your Clinical Commissioning Group commissions any healthcare services through 'Any Qualified Provider (AQP)'.

2. Please list all services currently commissioned by your CCG through AQP.

3. Please list all services commissioned through AQP by your predecessor Primary Care Trust(s) in 2012-13.

4. Please list all services planned to be commissioned by your CCG through AQP in (a) 2014-15 and (b) 2015-16.

5. Please list the total actual value of services commissioned through AQP by your predecessor Primary Care Trust(s) in 2012-13, broken down by type of service.

6. Please list the total forecast value of services commissioned by your CCG through AQP in (a) 2013-14, (b) 2014-15 and (c) 2015-16, broken down by type of service.

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/001903

Response date: 05/02/2014

Request:

Please confirm or deny if your CCG commissions direct access adult hearing services.

Please state how your CCG commissions adult hearing services (AQP, block contract, other).

Please list the total forecast value of adult hearing services to be commissioned by your CCG in (a) 2013-14, (b) 2014-15 and (c) 2015-16 (whether or not commissioned through AQP).

Please list the total actual value of adult hearing services commissioned by your predecessor Primary Care Trust(s) in 2012-13 (whether or not commissioned through AQP).

Please confirm or deny if your CCG plans to change its approach to procuring adult hearing services in (a) 2014-15, (b) 2015-16 and (c) 2016-17.

Please supply details of the changes your CCG plans to make to its approach to procuring adult hearing services in (a) 2014-15, (b) 2015-16 and (c) 2016-17.

Please supply details of the tariffs your CCG pays for adult hearing services through AQP in the current financial year.

Please supply a copy of the contract specification for each adult hearing service currently commissioned by your CCG.

Please confirm or deny if your CCG attaches a local CQUIN to adult hearing services it commissions in 2013-14.

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Please supply the local CQUIN your CCG attaches to adult hearing services it commissions in 2013-14.

Please confirm or deny if your CCG holds data on waiting times for people referred to adult hearing services.

Please supply (a) mean and (b) median waiting times for appointments for adult hearing services commissioned by your CCG in each month of the 2013-14 year to date.

Please supply (a) mean and (b) median waiting times for appointments for adult hearing services commissioned by your predecessor PCT(s) in each month of (a) 2011-12 and (b) 2012-13.

Please list the number of breaches of the 18 week waiting time target for adult hearing services your CCG is aware of in each month of the 2013-14 year to date.

Please confirm or deny that your CCG holds data on the number and type of complaints received in relation to adult hearing services.

Please supply details of the number and type of complaints received in relation to adult hearing services in the 2013-14 year to date.

Please state the number of providers of (a) direct access adult hearing services and (b) other adult hearing services your CCG currently commissions services from.

Please list the total number of (a) adult hearing assessments undertaken and (b) adult hearing devices fitted in the 2013-14 year to date which your CCG commissions.

Please list the total number of (a) adult hearing assessments undertaken and (b) adult hearing devices fitted in 2012-13 which your predecessor PCT commissioned.

Please confirm or deny if your CCG collects data on the outcomes achieved for people attending adult hearing services commissioned by your CCG.

Please supply details of the outcomes achieved for people attending adult hearing services commissioned by your CCG.

Please confirm or deny if your CCG collects patient experience data from people attending adult hearing services commissioned by your CCG.

Please supply details of the patient experience data from people attending adult hearing services commissioned by your CCG.

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During the last fiscal year please confirm the number of Continuing Care Assessments and where a full compliment of MDT as in two Professionals be they Health or Social Services were present then in the alternative

During the last fiscal year how many Continuing Care assessments were carried out by Janet Dalloway where there was not a full compliment as in two individuals comprising the MDT

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001918**Response date:** 10/02/2014**Request:**

Attached is a frontispiece of a recently conducted Continuing Care Assessment and which show two entirely different series of handwriting both left and right. Who please are the authors of the handwriting?

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001922**Response date:** 07/02/2014**Request:**

- Are the four treatments listed below routinely available to patients under the indications specified by the below NICE TAGs in your CCG area?
- Details of any additional criteria to the TAG criteria / interpretation of the TAG criteria which is placed on the availability of these four treatments
- The number of patients treated with each treatment in line with the indication specified in the TAG since the time when each treatment should have been available to patients (which is listed below alongside each treatment name)
- The number of Individual Funding Requests made for each treatment since the date when the treatment should have been made available to patients (which is listed below alongside each treatment name).

If the any of the treatments are not routinely available to patients under the specified indications (below) or require an Individual Funding Request in order to access the treatment then please also provide:

- Meeting minutes of meetings since November 2012 in which the approval of use of that treatment has been discussed.

The four treatments and their indications

1. Ocriplasmin (TA297) was approved for use in vitreomacular traction in October 2013 and should have been made available to patients in January 2014

- Ocriplasmin is recommended as a possible treatment for adults with an eye condition called vitreomacular traction who also have:

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- no epiretinal membrane (a thin layer of scar tissue over their retina, the light-sensitive area at the back of the eye) and a hole (up to 400 micrometers) in the centre of their retina or
- severe sight problems.

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA297>

2. Aflibercept (TA294) was approved for use in macular degeneration (wet age-related) in July 2013 and should have been available to patients by October 2013

Aflibercept is recommended as a possible treatment for people with wet AMD if all the following apply to their eye:

- The best possible visual acuity after correction with glasses or contact lenses is between 6/12 and 6/96.
- There is no permanent damage to the fovea (the part of the eye that helps people to see things in sharp detail).
- The area affected by AMD is no larger than 12 times the size of the area inside the eye where the optic nerve connects to the retina.
- There are signs that the condition has been getting worse.
- Treatment should be stopped if a person's vision gets worse and there are changes inside the eye which show that treatment isn't working.

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA294>

Ranibizumab (TA283) was approved for use in macular oedema (following retinal vein occlusion) in May 2013 and should have been available to patients by August 2013.

You should be able to have ranibizumab if:

- you have central retinal vein occlusion or
- you have branch retinal vein occlusion and you have had laser treatment (grid laser photocoagulation) that hasn't worked or it is not suitable for you because of the amount of bleeding in your eye.

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA283>

3. Ranibizumab (TA274) was approved for use in diabetic macular oedema in February 2013 and should have been made available to patients by May 2013

Ranibizumab is recommended as an option for treating visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema only if:

- the eye has a central retinal thickness of 400 micrometres or more at the start of treatment and
- the manufacturer provides ranibizumab with the discount agreed in the patient access scheme revised in the context of this appraisal.

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA274>

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February 2014**Request reference:** FOI/001941**Response date:** 24/02/2014**Request:**

I am assisting in research at the Spectrum Centre at Lancaster University which aims to help improve relative's involvement in mental healthcare. For research purposes, I would like to review the magnitude of how much relatives are currently involved in mental healthcare and what services are available to them through regional NHS trusts.

I am particularly interested in what support and information family members who care, or are affected by, their relative's mental health problem receive from each trust, for example information leaflets/information packs. Additionally, I would like to know whether there are protocols in place to ensure the relative/carer receives the necessary support or whether they are referred by a GP or even themselves for sources of support. Furthermore, I would like to know what information is available to family members educating them on their relatives mental illness.

Specifically, if possible, I would like to see any documentation your trust may use to give relatives or carers of individuals with mental health problems. If possible, I'd like to see why such information is given and any audits at all that show this information for relatives works in aiding the family members recovery. If this information is available, I would like to review any electronic records and documentation which is currently being used within your trust.

I hope this request is specific enough, however any information on relative and carer involvement within your trust would be extremely beneficial.

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001952**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

1. Please provide information on how many Inpatient falls were recorded at The Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust during the following financial years?

- a. 2008/09
- b. 2009/10
- c. 2010/11
- d. 2011/12
- e. 2012/13

f. Total number of falls for this five year period.

2. Please specify how many of these falls resulted in a fracture. Please present the data as a figure for each of the financial years specified above and the total number for the five year period.

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Request reference: FOI/001956**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

Please provide details of expenditure (or a reasonable estimate) on putting NHS services out to tender in 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 to date and please estimate total expenditure for the 2013/14.

Expenditure on putting NHS services out to tender 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, to date 2013/14 estimate

Staff costs

External advice (including legal advice)

Expenses

2. Please state how many staff (FTE) currently work on NHS service tenders.

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001960**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

1) The number of new "in-county" residential care Learning Disability care placements you have fully or partly funded in 2013

2) The number of new "out of county" care Learning Disability care placements you have fully or partly funded in 2013.

3) The average weekly fee for the new "in-county" placements at 1 above (please provide the range of fees (highest and lowest), and the median and mean)

4) The average weekly fee for the new " out of-county" placements at 2 above (please provide range of fees (highest and lowest), and the median and mean)

5) The number of new "in-county" supported living Learning Disability care placements that cost over £1000 per week that you have fully or partly funded in 2013.

6) The number of new "out of county" supported living Learning Disability care placements that cost over £1000 per week you have in 2013.

7) The average weekly fee for the new "in-county" placements at 5 above (please provide the range of fees (highest and lowest), and the median and mean)

8) The average weekly fee for the new " out of-county" placements at 6 above (please provide range of fees (highest and lowest),and the median and mean)

9) A list of care providers you have used for new placements for learning disability residential care in 2013 and the number of placements they have received in 2013

10) A list of care providers you have used for new placements for learning disability supported living care in 2013 and the number of placements they have received in 2013

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Request reference: FOI/001965**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

I wish to know how much your trust has spent on specialist bariatric equipment for obese patients from January 2012 to the present day.

Please state what equipment was purchased eg specially strengthened toilet seats and how much the equipment cost.

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001968**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

(1) Whether or not your organisation has a policy governing the commissioning of counselling or psychotherapy provided by individuals who are not members of professional bodies which are part of the Accredited Voluntary Register (AVR).

(2) How many people have been referred to counselling or psychotherapy services from providers who are not members of bodies on the Accredited Voluntary Register.

(3) How many providers you have commissioned counselling or psychotherapy services from without assurance that the providers are on the Accredited Voluntary Register.

(4) Whether you have a stated policy on the commissioning of conversion or "reparative" therapy and LGBT-friendly treatment more generally.

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001973**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

I would like any information may hold by Dudley CCG on services provided by recruitment company, Real Staffing, which may also be listed as Sthree who are the parent company. What positions were filled, services provided, and at what cost to the CCGs?

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001982**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

1. Does your CCG run any prescribing incentive schemes?

Products included on the scheme

Frequency of reimbursement

Details of the scheme

Any other information

2. Please could you also list the Quality Premium Local Measures which have been selected by your CCG:

Quality Premium Local Measures

Any other information

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Request reference: FOI/001986**Response date:** 25/02/2014**Request:**

1) On how many occasions in the past three years have either police or the Crown Prosecution Service requested from hospitals within this Trust patient information about a minor; and on how many of these occasions was the requested information disclosed?

2) If it is known, how many of those requests for information referred to in Question One related to investigations into suspected cases of female genital mutilation; and how many of these requests were granted?

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001990**Response date:** 11/02/2014**Request:**

1, The name of your CCG's Head of Medicines Management/Optimisation, Lead prescribing advisor, pharmaceutical advisor or equivalent role who has lead responsibility for the safe, legal and effective use of medicines in your CCG.

2, Their Job Title

3, Their email address or that of their secretary or PA, and their contact phone number

4, Which commissioning support unit (CSU) do you contract any support from on the commissioning of or the safe, legal and effective use of medicines.

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/001996**Response date:** 12/02/2014**Request:**

I would be grateful if you could email me the names and email addresses of the Lead Commissioner for Mental health, the Lead Commissioner for Learning Disabilities and the Clinical Lead in : NHS Dudley CCG

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/002005**Response date:** 07/02/2014**Request:**

1. Existing Supplier(s) - If there is more than one supplier please split the contract up including the contract value, number of users, duration, contract dates and internal contact details.

2. Annual Average Spend- Can you please provide me with the average annual spend over the 3 years. If this is a new contract can you please provide the estimated annual spend.

3. Number of Users- Number of connections for each network provider.

4. Duration of the contract- please state if the contract also include contract extensions for each provider.

5. Call off Contract Start Date- please provide me with information on when the framework commenced and include the month and year and day if possible for each network provider.

6. Call off Contract Expiry Date- please provide me with information on when the framework expires and include the month and year and day if possible for each network provider.

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7. Contract/Framework Agreement Review Date- please provide me with the month and year and day if possible of when the organisation plans to review it mobile phone contracts for each network provider.

8. The person within the organisation responsible for this particular contract. Can you send me the full contact details Contact Name, Job Title, Contact Number and direct email address for each network provider.

If the has more than one supplier can you please split the contract into to so they show information for both supplier including, total contract value, users, duration, and the other dates.

If the supply of mobile phones if provided by an external organisation please state the name of the organisation, the number of users (Connections of your organisation only) and the name of the network provider.

Please can you provide me with the latest information- If the organisation's is currently out to tender please can you also state the approx. date of award along with the information above.

If this contract was awarded within the past three months can you please provide me with a shortlist of suppliers that bid on the contract?

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002008

Response date: 12/02/2014

Request:

For each of the calendar years 2011, 2012 and 2013, please provide the following information:

- a) the total sum spent on translation and interpretation services by your trust
- b) the list of languages for which such services were obtained
- c) for each of the languages listed in b) , the sum spent on translation and interpretation services for that language

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002012

Response date: 17/02/2014

Request:

1. What is a) your CCG's total spend on mental health and b) what is that amount as a proportion of your overall budget?
2. What is a) your CCG's total spend on the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) programme and b) what is that amount as a proportion of your overall budget?

[Response](#)

Request reference: FOI/002021

Response date: 13/02/2014

Request:

A list all the mental health providers that are within the local area. If possible could you give a breakdown of how many patients they can offer services to.

The number of patients who have currently been referred to a mental health provider.

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Request reference: FOI/002032**Response date:** 19/02/2014**Request:**

1. For each maternity unit within your Trust, please provide figures from 1st Jan 2013 - 31st Dec 2013 for:

- (a) dates on which the unit was closed to new admissions
- (b) for each such closure, the number of hours for which the unit was closed
- (c) for each such closure the reason for the closure.

Please provide figures broken down by unit.

2. For each maternity unit within your Trust, please state the full capacity of the unit.

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/002058**Response date:** 26/02/2014**Request:**

- 1. ICT Strategy- I require the document that hold future plan and strategy of the organisation's ICT department.
- 2. ICT Departmental Business Plan
- 3. ICT Technical Strategy.
- 4. ICT Structure
- 5. ICT Capital budgets and programmes

If you feel that your organisation or the department hold other documents that relate to my request or the document above please send them accordingly.

Lead member: Cabinet Member for ICT and Telecommunications come under? Please can you provide me with their direct contact details including their Full Name, Actual Job Title, Contact Number and Direct Email Address?

Can you please provide me with a direct link to this committee?

[Response](#)**Request reference:** FOI/002085**Response date:** 24/02/2014**Request:**

: I would like to get figures for how many people have been treated for injuries to their genitals involving zips during the years set out below. I would like to know the number of patients treated and, for each incident, a brief description of the incident in question including gender; date; treatment outcome)

I would like to specify that where this extra information is deemed to be not admissible under the FoI act because of patient privacy it is left out or redacted and that this is not given as a reason for the rejection of the request (i.e. if this extra information cannot be included, please leave it out rather than decline the FoI).

I would like to further clarify that I am not seeking personal medical details which would reveal the identity of any of those involved in any such incidents.

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I would like to find out the admission figures for both A&E and inpatients for the above during the following dates:

a) 2013

b) 2012

c) 2011

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