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## Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which was received into this office on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017.

### You Asked for:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information:

- The services of how many podiatrists were commissioned in each of the following fiscal years 1) 2013-14; 2) 2014-15; 3) 2015-16; 4) Budgeted for 2016-17; all in (i) Working Time Equivalent and (ii) Headcount format

**NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group are unable to answer this question as we do not hold this information.**

- What was/is the total amount spent on podiatric services by your CCG in each of the following fiscal years 1) 2013-14; 2) 2014-15; 3) 2015-16; 4) Budgeted for 2016-17?

Year	Spend
2013/14	£989,467
2014/15	£1,535,290
2015/16	£1,734,677
2016/17 (Plan)	£1,770,742
2016/17 (Actual Month 9)	£1,328,844

*Please Note: The service commenced August 2013 therefore not a full year cost for 13/14.*

- Do you have any plans to increase your podiatric services?  
**NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group is planning to implement an MSK triage service which will include podiatry.**
- How many referrals were made from NHS services to private podiatric services in each of the following fiscal years 1) 2013-14; 2) 2014-15; 3) 2015-16; 4) Budgeted for 2016-17, and how much did these referrals cost the CCG in each such year?

Year	Number of Referrals	Referral Cost
2013/14	2,421	£148,763
2014/15	5,797	£201,716
2015/16	7,115	£223,535

<b>2016/17 (Plan)</b>	<b>7,656</b>	<b>£242,924</b>
<b>2016/17 (Actual Month 9)</b>	<b>5,970</b>	<b>£193,295</b>

**Please Note:** This is Actual Activity and not referral data. Provider is Peninsula- this is a Private Provider under a standard NHS Contract.

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