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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 13th March 2015.

You Asked for:

1. How much your Clinical Commissioning Group spent on support from Commissioning Support Units in (a) the financial year 2013/14 and (b) the first three quarters of the financial year 2014/15, including spending on advice, consultancy and services from the CSU?

2. Of this spending on support from Commissioning Support Units in (a) the financial year 2013/14 and (b) the first three quarters of the financial year 2014/15, how much of this spending related to support with putting NHS services out to tender? (Here, I am interested in the costs of all activities in preparing and running a tender, including scoping, stakeholder engagement, project planning, service specification, advertising, judging, interviewing, legalities, and so on.)

For both questions, if you cannot provide an exact figure, please provide an estimate to the nearest £10,000.

Please could you provide the response in the format set out below.

	2013/14	First three quarters of 2014/15
Expenditure on support from CSUs	£3.56m	£2.44m
Expenditure on support from CSUs related to putting NHS services out to tender	£47k	£22.5k

I hope this sufficiently answers your FOI enquiry however if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact a member of the FOI team (contact details at the top of this letter).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P. Edwards". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P'.

Paul Edwards
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