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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 3rd November 2015.

You Asked for:

Whether NHS Wirral CCG has, or ever has had, a “procedure of limited clinical effectiveness” policy, or a similar policy to like effect, for each of the following procedures:

1. Adenoidectomy,
2. Tonsillectomy,
3. Grommet insertion,
4. Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery,
5. Septoplasty,
6. Cochlear implant insertion,
7. and Rhinoplasty.

If no such policy exists or has existed in respect of any of the above, please specify.

If policies exist and/or have done in the past, in respect of each such policy, please specify:

- a. The precise date the policy came into effect,
- b. which intervention listed above the policy applies to,
- c. which population (e.g. adults or children) the policy applies to,
- d. which clinical indication(s) the policy applies to,
- e. the criteria necessary to receive treatment set out by the policy,
- f. and the rationale and supporting evidence for these criteria.

Our Response:

NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group has a Procedures of Low Clinical Priority (PLCP) document that covers all of the above with the exception of numbers 4 & 6 for which there are no specific policies. The PLCP policy came into effect on 1st May 2015. The link to this policy can be found below and information in relation to points b – f can be found on our website and within the policy:

<https://www.wirralccg.nhs.uk/Downloads/AboutUs/Policies/PLCP%20Wirral%20CCG.pdf>

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