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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 by the Corporate Affairs Team on the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

### **You Asked for:**

This request is made under and pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act.

(A) Please specify with particularity by reference to numbers and in respect persons of any age covered by the subject Clinical Commissioning Group:

(i) The number of persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 12 months but less than 18 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care; and

(ii) The number of persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 18 month but less than 24 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care; and

(iii) The number of persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 24 months but less than 30 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care;

(iv)The number of persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 30 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care;

This request is made under and pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act.

(B) Please specify with particularity by reference to numbers and in respect persons aged 90 or over covered by the subject Clinical Commissioning Group:

(i) The number of such persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 12 months but less than 18 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care; and

(ii) The number of such persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 18 months but less than 24 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care; and

(iii) The number of such persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 24 months but less than 30 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care;

(iv) The number of such persons for each of the last four years waiting for more than 30 months for completion of The Checklist as identified in the National Framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care;

#### **Our Response:**

**NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has considered your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“FOIA 2000”) and the CCG is able to confirm that it holds the information requested under Requests A and B.**

**A system upgrade during January 2017 means that it is now possible to extract the information requested under Request A in respect of the current waiting list. In order to be able to utilise the functionality added in January 2017 the CCG analysed the notes of each individual on the waiting list and manually added the relevant initial contact date to the system. Accordingly, it is possible to provide the information requested under Request A in relation to the current waiting list.**

**However, it is not currently possible to generate a report containing the information requested under the rest of Request A or Request B for the last 4 years. This is because the CCG has not analysed the records and added the initial contact date of individuals no longer on the waiting list or their dates of birth. In respect of that information, the CCG has considered the work that would be required finding the requested information or records containing the information, retrieving the information or records and extracting the requested information from records and estimates that it would be in excess of the appropriate cost limit for complying with a request set out under the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004. In accordance with section 12 FOIA 2000, the CCG therefore chooses not to provide the information requested, due to the high cost to the public authority involved. This letter accordingly acts as a refusal notice in accordance with the FOIA 2000.**

**It is possible to provide some of the information you have requested free of charge if you are prepared to limit the scope of your request e.g. the CCG would be willing to share the information requested under Request A in respect of the current waiting list to you. Please contact the Corporate Affairs FOI Team on [foirequests.nhswirralccg@nhs.net](mailto:foirequests.nhswirralccg@nhs.net) if you would like to do so or if you would like further advice and assistance to limit, refine or rephrase your request to reduce the cost.**

**If you feel that the CCG has failed to comply with its obligations under the FOIA, you may ask for an internal review by contacting Simon Banks, Chief Officer, NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group via [foirequests.nhswirralccg@nhs.net](mailto:foirequests.nhswirralccg@nhs.net) .**

**If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have a right to apply to the Information Commissioner at:**

**The Information Commissioner's Office,**

**Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
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Telephone: 0303 123 1113 Website: [www.ICO.org.uk](http://www.ICO.org.uk)”**

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