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Re: Freedom of Information Request – Procedures of Limited Clinical Effectiveness Applications and rejections

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which was received into this office on 16th August 2019.

You Asked for:

1. Under the Freedom of Information Act, please can you provide me with the number of applications for prior approval made for Procedures of Limited Clinical Effectiveness, and the number refused, in each of the following financial years (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, and 2018/19 (year from April to March), broken down by procedure.
2. Please can you provide me with the number of Individual Funding Requests (IFR) made and refused in each of the following financial years (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, and 2018/19 (year from April to March), broken down by procedure.

Our Response:

1. Please see attached document of information. To note, due to changes to the processes used, we only have applications data from 2016 onwards.
2. The excel spreadsheet attached includes the data of all applications processed by the Individual Funding Requests (IFR) team for the requested periods broken down by procedure. The tables on the right show the number of applications for each outcome in each financial year.

We hope this information is useful, however if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Corporate Affairs Team (contact details at the top of this letter)

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