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Re: Freedom of Information Request - Vasectomies and Procedures of Limited Clinical Priorities (PLCP)

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received into this office on the 3rd December 2021.

You Asked for:

1. Please can you provide a comprehensive list of the services that your Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is no longer providing on the NHS, often termed 'Procedures of Limited Clinical Values' or 'Commissioning Values'?
2. Please can you advise whether your CCG is currently providing Vasectomies?
 - a. If there is still a Vasectomy service within your CCG please can you provide information times on the current waiting period for an appointment?
 - b. Please can you advise how much the CCG pays the individual surgeon per procedure?
 - c. Please provide the names of the Surgeon(s), Practice or contract holder for your vasectomy service?

Our Response:

1. The Procedures of Limited Clinical Priority (PLCP) is publicly available on the NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) website. Please click the link below for more information.
<https://www.wirralccg.nhs.uk/about-us/policies/procedures-of-low-clinical-priority/>
2. Yes.
 - a. Unfortunately, this information is not available. Waiting times information within NHS Wirral CCG is held at specialty level only, it is not reported down to the level of the planned procedure. This level of information would only be held by the provider of the service which is currently Bridgewater Family Planning Service. Please can I suggest that you contact them directly? I have included their contact details below, should you wish to do so.
Bridgewater Family Planning Service – info@bridgewater-fps.co.uk
 - b. Unfortunately, this information is not available as this activity is currently rolled into a block funding contract and is currently not separately charged for.
 - c. This level of information would only be held by the provider of the service which is currently Bridgewater Family Planning Service. Please can I suggest that you contact them directly? I have included their contact details above, should you wish to do so.

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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