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14 June 2016,

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016, with regards to blood glucose testing strips.

Request/**Response**

**NHS Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are part of the Pan Mersey Area Prescribing Committee. I have provided their link for your ease of reference:**

<http://www.panmerseyapc.nhs.uk/index.html>

**We commissioning Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit (MLCSU) to manage the activity of the Area Prescribing Committee and therefore we recommend that you contact NHS England on [ContactUs@nhs.uk](mailto:ContactUs@nhs.uk) to direct your FOI to the MLCSU.**

1. The contact details of the Procurement Officer or Medicines Management Pharmacist responsible for the evaluation of blood glucose testing strips.

***We do not hold this information.***

2. The contact details of the GP Diabetic Lead for the evaluation of blood glucose testing strips.

***We do not hold this information.***

3. The contact details of the Lead Diabetic Nurse for the evaluation of blood glucose testing.

***We do not hold this information.***

4. Please confirm if the CCG follows any guidance for the standardisation and guidance for Blood glucose strips from an independent body e.g. LPP, GMMMG....

***Yes - Pan Mersey Area Prescribing Committee.***

5. Please confirm which strips are currently recommended on the CCG formulary

***The formulary is published on the Pan Mersey Area Prescribing Committee website and the link is provided above.***

6. Please provide the current standardisation guidelines for blood glucose meters and testing strips.

***This is available on the Pan Mersey Area Prescribing Committee website.***

7. Please can you confirm or deny whether the CCG currently has rebates for ANY blood glucose strips and if so, which ones are these?

***We confirm that the CCG does not have a rebate for any blood glucose strips.***

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

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The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

**Customer Relations Lead  
NHS Liverpool CCG**