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4th August 2017,

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 4th August, with regards to if NHS Liverpool CCG fund toric intraocular lenses for patients.

Request/Response

1. Does NHS Liverpool CCG fund toric intraocular lenses for NHS patients with astigmatism undergoing cataract surgery?

Liverpool CCG has no policy on the type of lenses used by clinicians for Cataract Surgery which is funded by the national tariff.

If a clinician wishes to use a particular type of lens which is out of the usual funding cost, they can apply to the Individual Funding Request process for this to occur. Each Individual Funding Request is then considered on its merit and a decision will be made.

2. If yes to Qu1, please list the criteria under which toric intraocular lenses are available to patients, and please send us copies of any policy documentation.

N/A.

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.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF
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,

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