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Ref: 61543

10th September 2019

Email:

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Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 23rd August 2019, with regards to Procedures of Limited Clinical Effectiveness.

Request:

For your information, POLCE refers to Procedures of Limited Clinical Effectiveness, but is previously known as 'low priority treatments'. Please treat POLCE in this request as referring to 'Procedures of Limited Clinical Effectiveness' and what was previously called 'low priority treatments'.

If the CCG **does** follow a POLCE policy, please could you provide answers to each following question covering the following time periods:

The first covering the time period **1st January 2015 – 31st December 2015;**

The second covering the time period **1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016;**

The third covering the time period **1st January 2017 – 31st December 2017;**

and the fourth covering the time period **1st January 2018 – 31st December 2018;**

and the fifth covering the time period **1st January 2019 – 1st August 2019.**

1. For each time period, how many applications were approved and referred?
2. For each time period, how many applications were rejected?

Response: Please see the attached spreadsheet

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
Cheshire
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,

Corporate Services Team
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