Re: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your email, dated 18 October 2018, making a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for access to information which may be held by NHS Greater Preston Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

Please find detailed below NHS Greater Preston CCG’s response to your request, which is formatted as follows:-

1. Details of NHS Greater Preston CCG’s decision in regard to the information requested.
2. A schedule of all the records covered by your request.
3. A statement concerning copyright and re-use of public sector information.
4. Details of how you can appeal this decision should you wish to do so.

This letter addresses each of these parts in turn:-

1. Decision

I can confirm that NHS Greater Preston CCG holds the information requested.

2. Schedule of records/FOI response

Request: 2017/18
In 2017/18 which services have moved from PbR (Payment by Results Tariff) to variant contracts and what type of contract
a. Aligned incentive
b. Shared risk
c. Capitated fee
d. Block type
e. Other (please describe)

Response:
Request: What is the total value of variant contracts as a proportion of total?

Response: £61m. Please note that this cost is shared with NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG.

Request: What is the proportion of services in value that have moved to non PbR contract in 2017/18?

Response: 16.9%.

Request: 2018/19
In 2018/19 which services are being considered for new non PbR contracts and what type of contract
a. Aligned incentive
b. Shared risk
c. Capitated fee
d. Block type
e. Other (please describe)

Response:

The Crisis Café (The Haven)- This is a new service due to commence from May 19 and will be paid on a block contract arrangement.

The CCG wishes to apply a section 43(2) exemption to the remaining contract information, as these services have not yet been put out for tender. The CCG has considered the public interest test in applying this exemption and feels that this has been satisfied as this information is likely to prejudice commercial interests, giving the requestor, or whoever sees the information, an unfair advantage in their ability to participate competitively in future commercial activity.

Request: What is the total value of variant contracts as a proportion of total?
What is the proportion of services in value that have moved to non PbR contract in 2018/19?

Response: This information is not yet available as the procurement process is in an early stage.
3. Copy and reuse of public sector information provided in FOI response

Most of the information provided by NHS Greater Preston CCG in response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 requests will be subject to copyright protection. In the majority of cases the information will be owned by NHS Greater Preston CCG. The copyright for other information may be owned by another person or organisation, as indicated in the information itself: in this case you must apply to the copyright owner to obtain their permission.

You are free to use any information supplied for your own use, including for non-commercial research purposes. It may also be used for the purposes of news reporting. However, any other type of re-use, for example, by publishing the information or issuing copies to the public will require the permission of the copyright owner.

4. Right of appeal to FOI response

If you are dissatisfied with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you are entitled to complain in the following way:

Initially you should complain in writing to the freedom of information officer, either by email on gpccg.foi@nhs.net or post to Chorley House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TT, specifying why you feel you have been wrongly denied access to the information requested. The freedom of information officer will ensure your complaint is investigated under NHS Greater Preston CCG’s internal processes and provide you with a written response within 20 working days.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Greater Preston CCG.

Yours sincerely

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