29 May 2019

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

Thank you for your email, dated 22 May 2019, 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: Has your CCG applied for the ETTF (Estates and Technology Transformation Fund) in the previous 12 months?

What schemes under ETTF have you applied for in the previous 12 months?

Response: The CCG has not applied for the ETTF in the previous 12 months as this is no longer open to applications for new funding.

Request: Who is the managing lead for the ETTF (Estates and Technology Transformation Fund) in your CCG?

Response: Mr Geoff Lavery.
**Request**: Is there a position within your CCG dedicated to the digital transformation of care?

if yes, who occupies this position?

**Response**: There is no position dedicated solely to the digital transformation of care.

**Request**: Is there a position within your CCG dedicated to the improvement in the quality of healthcare in care homes?

if yes, what is the name of the position and individual who occupies it?

**Response**: No.

**Request**: If no does it come under the remit of a non-dedicated position?

What is the name of the position and individual who occupies it?

**Response**: Ms Jane Brennan, Chief Nurse.

**Request**: Does your CCG have plans to improve the quality of care in care homes with the use of technology? Continued, if yes, what is the name of the project/initiative/project and who is leading it? If no, why not?

**Response**: Yes, The CCG Chief Nurse has been leading on the procurement and mobilisation, with other CCG leads and Local Authority to roll out a web based quality monitoring tool. All care home providers will submit monthly quality data set against agreed KPIs, which will be monitored and acted upon where appropriate by the CCG and the Commissioning Support Unit. The CCG has also provided an iPAD to each nursing and residential home to help to bring care closer to the residents, improve social interactions. This was loaded with ‘Apps’ to support with dementia activities and also training and development opportunities to improve resident care. The CCG Chief Nurse also co-chairs the ICS regulated care quality sub group, which feeds into the digital work streams.

**Request**: Is there a position within your CCG dedicated to integrated care? If yes, what is the name of the position and individual who occupies it?

**Response**: Yes. Ms Emma Ince. Interim Associate Director of Transformation and Design.

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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