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

Thank you for your email, dated 3 June 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 part of the information requested.

2. Schedule of records/FOI response

   Request: The date at which your CCG let the current NHS 111 contract, the length of the current contract and the date they expect to re-procure.

   Response: The NHS 111 contract was awarded on 1 October 2015 for a period of 5 years.

   Request: Your plans to change how NHS 111 operates in your area?
   The name and contact details of your lead service development contact.

   Response: The CCG does not hold this information, it is suggested that you request this information from NHS Blackpool CCG which is the lead commissioner for the NHS 111 contract. It can be contacted by email at: mlcsu.foiteam@nhs.net.
Request: Would the CCG please outline the plans to procure an Integrated Urgent Care (IUC) service in your area to include:
• Whether it will include NHS 111
  o If not, at what level will that be procured?
• Will the IUC procurement include:
  o An integral Clinical Assessment Service?
  o Urgent Treatment Centres?
  o A GP OOH / same day home visiting service?

Response: The CCG has had an integrated urgent care service in place since November 2016.

Request: The name and contact details of your IUC service development lead in the CCG.

Response: Jayne Mellor, Director of Transformation and Development. Email at: tara.ponde@nhs.net. Tel on: 01772 214232.

Request: The name and contact details of your service development lead in your STP.

Response: Details of the STP leads can be found on the Healthier and South Cumbria STP website at: https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/about/leadership.

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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