

Date: 17 May 2018

Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 80- 2018

Thank you for your email dated 23rd April 2018 requesting information regarding the use of digital solutions and reimbursement policies

The information that you require is as follows:

1. What is the name of your CCG/Trust/Health board?

The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust

2. How many of the people in your community are diagnosed with diabetes? (Please indicate numerical value):

- **Based on patients discharged from April 2017 – March 2018:**
 - **Type 1 Diabetes: 21**
 - **Type 2 Diabetes: 265**

3. What role does your CCG/Trust/Health board play in the reimbursement process for digital solutions?

We don't supply any high cost devices at all in the Trust, so the Trust does not charge commissioners for any devices

3.1 If you are not the direct decision maker of reimbursement, can your CCG/Trust/Health board still pay for medical products to give access to patients?

Not Applicable, see Question 3

4. Who affects the decision-making process of reimbursement decisions for digital health solutions in the UK? Please specify what power they hold in the process. (If more than one, please rank them by influence, 1 being the most influential).

Not Applicable

- 4.1. How would you describe the interest of the stakeholders you identified above? (e.g. cost reduction, care improvement,...)?

Not Applicable

5. What criteria are most important for your CCG/Trust/Health board when commissioning digital solutions (e.g. cost, newness, effectiveness,...)? Please rank the criteria, 1 being the most important.

1. Effectiveness

2. Cost

3. Newness

6. Are you interested in partnerships with pharmaceutical companies? If yes, please what you are seeking from such partnerships.

Yes. We work with the pharma industry in joint working agreements

7. How does your CCG/Trust/Health board evaluate whether to commission a product for diabetes care?

We do not commission medicines for diabetes care, we procure for our patients when necessary whilst they are with us for their cancer care. Evaluation would be through our Drugs & Therapeutics Committee if necessary

8. Does your CCG/Trust/Health board have a policy on the use of health apps?

If yes, please specify the health policy(ies):

If no, please provide if and when this will be established:

No specific policy on Health Apps. Working collaboratively across the health economy

9. Does your CCG/Trust/Health board currently have a budget to use for health apps?

If no, please provide if and when this will be established:

No specific budget identified solely to Health Apps

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

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