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**Dear Requestor** 

RE: Freedom of Information Request

With reference to your request for information I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information that you have requested. A response to each part of your request is below.

In the request you asked:

I am conducting a survey of CCGs regarding Primary Care Networks (PCN) membership within Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and also whether or not those Practices who have not signed up to PCNs have or have not signed Data Sharing Agreements with the PCNs. I hope to present this as a formal audit possibly.

May I, therefore, please request, Under the Freedom of Information Act and Regulations, the following:

- How many Practices within your CCG have not signed up to PCNs?
   Zero, all practices have signed up to a PCN
- How many Practices within your CCG have not joined PCNs and NOT signed patients' data-sharing agreements for full patients' clinical records with the PCNs?
   N/A
- 3. If there are any such Practices within your CCG who have not signed up to PCNs and/or data-sharing, then what is the CCG strategy for providing the PCN services to the patients of such Practices? Does this include negotiating with these particular Practices for them to provide such services?
  N/A
- 4. Presumably, if non-PCN Practices have signed up to data-sharing with the PCNs, then relevant PCN services may then be provided on behalf of relevant patients directly. What is your approach should such data-sharing agreements for non-PCN Practices have NOT, as yet, been signed? Does the PCN, for example, request such Practices to identify relevant patients to put forward together with their specific clinical records; or perhaps, rely on the Summary Care Records on the 'NHS-Spine' or both...? N/A
- I would be grateful, please, for a listing of any relevant Practices in these groups.

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<u>lucy.branson@nhs.net</u> or by writing to NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG, 1 Standard Court, Park Row, Nottingham, NG1 6GN.

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Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer on behalf of NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group.

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