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NN-ICB/22/80

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 partially hold the information that you have requested. A response to each part of your request is below.

Please note that both NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, and Bassetlaw Clinical Commissioning Groups ceased operation on 30 June 2022. They have been superseded by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) which began operation on 1 July 2022.

In the request you asked:

- 1) How many people in your area have been diagnosed with MS?
[2645 patients](#)
- 2) If possible, please provide a breakdown of those with Remitting MS and those with Progressive MS (including Secondary Progressive).
[See attached excel spreadsheet NN-ICB 22 80a.](#)
- 3) If possible, please provide a breakdown of 2) above showing those that are Male or Female and age (within bands of 10 years from 0 upwards).
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- 4) What is the total annual funding provided in respect of MS. Please provide a breakdown of the funding that relates to "core service provision" and the amount that relates to individual treatment (such as cost of medication, etc).
- 5) If funding is being used for the provision of medication, please say what the average annual spend is for those patients who have Remitting MS and those that have Progressive MS (if data is available).
- 6) In relation to those patients who have Secondary Progressive MS, do you help fund the cost of the patient receiving Siponimod (Mayzent). If yes, please provide the total number of cases where funding is being provided and average annual spend. If you do not provide funding for such cases, would you consider to do so if the patient contributed towards the funding?
- 7) If known, do you contribute towards the domiciliary care costs of patients who have Progressive MS (including Secondary Progressive). If so, please say the average annual spend.

NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB does not hold the information you have requested for question 4 to 7. It might be that the acute trusts are able to provide this information; their contact details have been provided below for ease of reference:

Doncaster & Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust: d.wraith@nhs.net

Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust: sth.foi@nhs.net

Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust: FOI@nuh.nhs.uk

Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust: sfh-tr.foi.requests@nhs.net

Further to the above, it might also be that NHS England hold some of the information that you require, they can be contacted via england.contactus@nhs.net.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) have an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Associate Director of Governance via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to FOI Team at NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham, NG5 6DA.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to:

FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern via <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information (FOI) Officer on behalf of *NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board*

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