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

In the request you asked:

1. What is your policy on aromatherapy? Please provide a copy of your policy, if you have one. Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB does not hold a policy on aromatherapy as we do not commission it. Please see page 60 of the Service Restriction Policy (Additional Information) <https://notts.icb.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2022/04/NNCCG-Service-Restriction-Policy-Nottinghamshire-ADDITIONAL-INFORMATION-v0.3-ICB.pdf>.
2. In the last five years, have you engaged an aromatherapy practitioner for the provision of aromatherapy to NHS patients?
Not applicable.
 - a. In which years?
Not applicable.
 - b. What was the cost to the NHS for each of these years?
Not applicable.
 - c. How many patients were given aromatherapy in each of these years?
Not applicable.

Please break the results down by condition.

3. Do you currently have a contract in place with any provider for the provision of aromatherapy services?
Not applicable.
 - a. Please provide a copy of the contract
Not applicable.
4. Which external organisations, charities or companies (if any) have you contracted or engaged with over the provision of aromatherapy in the last three years?
Not applicable.
 - a. Please include copies of any promotional materials, advertising materials or other documentation provided by the external organisation as part of this engagement
Not applicable.

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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