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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. *A record and minute from any meeting of the ICBs Strategic Planning and Integration Committee (SPI) which discussed how to ensure best practice is shared between each Sub-ICB Location (SICBL)?*

*The ICB does not hold this information. It should be noted that the business activities of the ICB are not considered by 'sub-ICB' locations. Discussions held at the SPI Committee are reflective of the full population of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, or where appropriate, across the four Place Based Partnerships. Further information about our Place Based Partnerships can be found here, [Care in my area - NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS - NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS \(healthandcarenotts.co.uk\)](#)*

2. *What policies does the ICB have in place to ensure that patients have access to the best care within the ICS, regardless of where they live in that area; and how many patients have had care commissioned within ICS, but outside of their local Sub-ICB Location (SICBL)?*

*The ICB's commissioning policies are available via <https://notts.icb.nhs.uk/about-us/our-policies-and-procedures/> It should be noted that NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire adopted the commissioning policies listed at its' Board meeting on the 1 July 2022 pending formal review of the policy position and alignment of policies across the ICB area.*

*The ICB does not hold patient level information in relation to care commissioned between the two 'sub-ICB' locations.*

3. *Any analysis completed by the ICB on the impact on patients following the integration of its SICBLs?*

**Section 12 (Cost Limit Exemption)**

*The ICB does hold the data in relation to enable the analysis of 'the analysis completed by the ICB on the impact on patients following the integration of its SICBLs', however, it is not possible to provide the information without undertaking an exercise to locate, retrieve, extract and undertake analysis of a large amount of data. This would equate to a significant amount of time to ensure the accurate extraction of information and exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450.*

*The Freedom of Information Act state that the appropriate limit to be applied to requests received by the ICB is £450 (equivalent to 18 hours of work at £25 per hour) in estimating the cost of complying with the request for information, the ICB can only take into account any reasonable costs incurred in:*

- *Determining whether it holds the information,*
- *Locating the information, or document which may contains the information,*
- *Retrieving the information, or document which may contain the information, and*
- *Extracting the information from a document containing it.*

*In order for the ICB to provide this information, you may wish to revise your request, limit the number services and specify the exact services that you require this information on.*

4. *What policies does ICB have that are aimed at tackling a) the impact of deprivation on patients and b) inequalities in line with the Core20Plus5 framework?*

*The statutory body of the ICB does not hold any policies in relation to these areas. However, the ICB is an equal ICS partner that has contributed to the production of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire's Integrated Care Strategy; which can be accessed via [Integrated-Care-Strategy-2023\\_27.pdf \(healthandcarenotts.co.uk\)](#) The Strategy outlines four key aims:*

- *Aim one: Improve outcomes in population health and healthcare (see page 15);*
- *Aim two: Tackle inequalities in outcomes, experiences and access (see page 19);*
- *Aim three: Enhance productivity and value for money (see page 22); and*
- *Aim four: Support broader social and economic development (see page 26).*

*Page 19 of the Strategy specifically addresses the Core20Plus5 framework.*

*Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB's Health Inequalities Plan is also publicly available on the ICB's website <https://notts.icb.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2022/04/ICB-board-papers-10.11.22.pdf>*

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](mailto: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/>

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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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