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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:

Please can you provide me with the following information:

1. The Current Clinical Commissioning Policy for Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) for adults and children for drop foot of central neurological origin and upper limb dysfunction for ICB area QT1 Nottingham & Nottinghamshire ICB including former CCGs listed below:

52R	Nottingham & Nottinghamshire
02Q	Bassetlaw

Please see attached the most recent (Nov 2017) Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) Commissioning policy for patients with foot drop of neurological origin. This was a policy of the former NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG (and East Midlands policy) which sits within the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire 'Service Restriction Policy'. The ICB does not have a specific Commissioning policy for FES for patients with upper limb dysfunction.

The former NHS Bassetlaw CCG did not have a documented Commissioning policy for Functional Electrical Stimulation for either patients with foot drop of neurological origin or for patients with upper limb dysfunction.

The former NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG's 'Service Restriction Policy' and the former NHS Bassetlaw CCG's 'Commissioning for Outcomes Policy' are currently being aligned to create a single ICB policy. The FES policy will be included within this policy.

2. When is the current FES Clinical Commissioning policy due for review?

No date has yet been set for a review of the single ICB policy which is currently in development.

3. Please confirm the name of the Clinical Commissioner with responsibility for this area.

The Planned Care Team within the ICB is responsible for coordinating reviews of the future aligned Commissioning policy.

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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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