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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 not hold the information that you have requested. A response to your request is below.

In the request you asked:

Enfit syringes are used for administration of medicines via enteral feeding tubes and cannot be prescribed on FP10. Please could you provide us with the following information on your arrangements for supply of Enfit syringes to help inform our commissioning intentions.

1. Do you have arrangements in place for the provision of Enfit Syringes for administration of medicines via enteral feeds for patients within the community?

If NO please confirm if patients are expected to source and purchase themselves?

If YES Please give details of:

- Which health care sector supplies the syringes (e.g. community pharmacy, HENS team, GP practice etc)
- Is the supply patient or healthcare initiated?
- What is the mechanism used for initiating and delivering/ collecting a supply?
- Is counselling on the administration of the medicine(s) included in the service?
- Are all patient groups included?
- Quantity, frequency and size of syringes supplied?
- How supply is initiated/monitored.
- Please provide a service specification if in place.

2. Do you have a Policy or guidance relating to the administration of medicines via enteral tubes?
If YES, please provide.

The ICB does not hold this information. You may wish to contact Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust and Nottingham CityCare to request this information, please see their contact details below.

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust –

<https://www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/c-freedom-of-information>

Nottingham CityCare - <https://www.nottinghamcitycare.nhs.uk/about-us/public-policies-and-statement/you-and-your-information>

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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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