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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 criteria did Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS use to decide on the specific procedures, methodologies and equipment that would be used to complete the surgeries delivered by the [surgical hubs](#) commissioned by the Integrated Care System?

The ICB did not decide on these specific points. This level of detail will be defined by the providers. Therefore the ICB does not hold this information.

2. What public and patient consultation did Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS carry out surrounding the specific procedures, methodologies and equipment that would be used to complete the surgical interventions delivered by the surgical hubs commissioned by the Integrated Care System; and can the ICS share any assessment, analysis or reporting done following this consultation?

Please see response to question 1, therefore the ICB did not undertake a public and patient consultation to consult on specific procedures, methodologies and equipment.

3. What discussions or analysis has Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS had or conducted on the need to adjust the way surgeries are delivered by the surgical hubs commissioned by the ICS, to make the delivery more efficient; and can the ICS share minutes of any discussion, or a copy of any analysis conducted?

The ICB did not discuss or analyse the specific way that surgeries are delivered by the surgical hubs and therefore does not hold this information. However the principles of improved productivity drawing on national best practice including the Getting it Right First Time (GIRFT) programme will be adopted where appropriate across clinical services as the elective hubs are rolled out.

4. Which specific procedures are conducted by Healthcare Professionals within each surgical intervention available in the surgical hubs commissioned by Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS; and b) can the ICS provide a list of any applicable NICE Guidance followed within the surgeries carried out in the surgical hubs commissioned by Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS?

The ICB does not hold this information.

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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.

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Yours sincerely

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