



10th March 2014

Our ref: NIC-249103-X0Z0S

Dear Ms Wyeth

Re: Information Request – Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000

I can confirm that the Health and Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) has considered your query dated the 7th February 2014 and received by us on the 10th February 2014.

*“How many times since the set up of the HSCIC has personal data held by you been requested by any British Police Force? Please indicate how this is broken down by
a) which legislation they requested the information under,
b) which Force requested the data,
c) how many data subjects they requested information about, and
d) what type of personal data they requested. Please also indicate if each request was refused or the data released.*

Can you also confirm if any British Police Forces are 'approved organisations' and could potentially apply in future for data from the current Care.data scheme? Please list those that are, if any are.

If this request is over the limit, please advise me how many requests can be located within the limit, and work backwards from today's date up to the limit”

Thank you for your request for information. The Health & Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) was formed on the 1 April 2013. Since the HSCIC was formed there have been 472 requests received from British Police Forces for information. Please find attached the information you have requested.

No organisations have yet been approved to access the data that will be collected from GP practices under care.data however I can confirm that the British Police Forces will not be eligible to be an “approved organisation”.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the HSCIC website.

I trust you are satisfied with our response to your request for information. However, if you are not satisfied, you may request a review from a suitably qualified member of staff not involved in the initial query, via the enquiries@hscic.gov.uk e mail address or by post at the above postal address.

I will assume that your request to the organisation is now closed.

Yours sincerely

Kathryn Anderson
Higher Information Governance Officer

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