

To Mr S Kirtley
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Business Management Team
Health & Disability Assessments (Operations)

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Dear Mr Kirtley,

Freedom of Information Act - Request for Internal Review

Our Reference: FOI IR 0091

Thank you for your email dated 29 January 2013 requesting a review of the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) handling of your request.

In your email you asked following:-

I am writing to request an internal review of Department for Work and Pensions's handling of my FOI request 'ATOS Doctors' directive guides'.

A request for clarification on the initial response has been ignored.

Please be assured that your request has been given our full consideration and that all aspects of your review were taken fully into account.

The review was conducted by an independent official of the Department, of the relevant grade and authority to carry out such requests. The case has been examined afresh, and guidance has been sought from domain experts to ensure all factors were taken fully into account.

After consideration the internal review has found that your initial FOI request (Reference 4981) was replied to on 16 January 2013. You submitted a further question on 17 January 2013 which the Department responded to on 1 February (Reference 0245). I, therefore, maintain that all information requested has been provided within the relevant timescales.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

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Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk