

Reference: FOI 25968 CRW 09H

Subject: Asthma & COPD

I can confirm that the CCG does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	Crawley CCG
A. I would like to request the information about the following points around the CCG's decisions with patient care and its structure.	
1. What criteria does the CCG use to select which inhalers should be prescribed for Asthma and COPD?	Crawley CCG meets with the Brighton area prescribing network and the Surrey Primary Care Network to decide the most suitable treatment options for patients.
2. How does the CCG compare the cost-effectiveness, efficacy, safety and patient usability of different inhalers when selecting which COPD and Asthma inhalers should be included on its local guidance?	See response for Question 1
3. Over the past three years, has the CCG introduced a planned programme of care which resulted in the medicines optimisation team, contractors or GP practices proactively reviewing patients and aligning their COPD and /or Asthma inhalers to alternative options?	Yes
4. Please list the alternative asthma and COPD inhalers that were introduced by the CCGs medicines optimisation team, contractors or GP practices during any planned programme of care that proactively reviewed the use of asthma and /or COPD inhalers over the past 3 years.	<p>The CCG can confirm that it does hold some of the information requested, but are exempting it under Section 21 Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is reasonably accessible by other means.</p> <p>This is an absolute exemption.</p> <p>I have provided you with a link to the website which will provide you with this information: Information can be obtained via the formulary: http://www.chmsformulary.nhs.uk/ for what can and cannot be prescribed.</p>

5. Over the past three years, has the CCG used a QIPP scheme to introduce a planned programme of care which resulted in the medicines optimisation team, contractors or GP practices proactively reviewing patients and aligning their COPD and /or Asthma inhalers to alternative options?	Yes
6. Please list the alternative asthma and COPD inhalers that were introduced by the CCGs medicines optimisation team, contractors or GP practices when using a QIPP scheme to introduce a planned programme of care that proactively reviewed the use of asthma and / or COPD inhalers over the past 3 years?	<p>The CCG can confirm that it does hold some of the information requested, but are exempting it under Section 21 Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is reasonably accessible by other means.</p> <p>This is an absolute exemption.</p> <p>I have provided you with a link to the website which will provide you with this information:</p> <p>Information can be obtained via the formulary: http://www.chmsformulary.nhs.uk/ for what can and cannot be prescribed.</p>
B. I would also like to make a request for the full name, contact number and contact email for the following roles listed below within your CCG;	
1. Chief Executive Officer	<p>The CCG can confirm that it does hold the information requested, but are exempting it under Section 21 Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is reasonably accessible by other means.</p> <p>This is an absolute exemption.</p> <p>I have provided you with a link to the website which will provide you with this information within the Organisation Structure:</p> <p>Website: http://www.crawleyccg.nhs.uk/search/?q=Organisation+Structure+Chart</p> <p>Email: CCG.Contactus-crawleyccg@nhs.net</p>
2. Chief Financial Officer	
3. Medicines Management Lead	

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 24 April 2018