

To: J Stanson

Andrew Howe
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12th March, 2014

Dear Mr. Stanson,

Re: Freedom of Information Request – Reference 873963

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request.

Please note that The London Borough of Harrow and The London Borough of Barnet operate a shared Public Health service, therefore please accept this response on behalf of the two organisations.

I will respond to your questions in the same order in which you made the request.

a) The specific total amount of funding attributed via the CCG towards various programmes or schemes to tackle individual public health concerns in terms of the prevention, treatment or management of disease in the spending year 2013/14. Where this spend goes over multiple categories (for example physical activity and weight management) please attribute the spend to the correct category as appropriate where this is possible. Where there is £0 spend, please confirm this.

I would like to request this spend for the following categories:

- Physical activity
- Obesity
- Sexual Health
- Drug misuse
- Alcohol misuse

Under the reforms described in the Health and Social Care Act, the Public Health department transferred to the Local Authority on the 1st April 2013. We do not provide funding to the either CCG specifically for these services and do not hold information related to CCG expenditure. The Public Health department does commission programmes related to those areas that you have described. Information pertaining to this and all of the Public Health service expenditure is available from the Dept for Communities and Local Government website.

b) A simple yes or no answer is requested to the following question: Is the recommendation or prescribing of 'physical activity' specifically included within the care pathways for the treatment of the following conditions within the CCG?

Where the answer for 'physical activity' the answer given is "yes", please provide appropriate evidence to verify that this is the case.

- Diabetes
- Stroke
- Cardiovascular Disease
- Hypertension
- Depression

I can confirm that we do not hold information related to the CCG programmes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. D. Howe', with a horizontal line underneath.

Dr. Andrew Howe
Director of Public Health