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Dear Jessica

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Please find below the response from NHS West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to your request for information.

- 1) Who currently holds the contract for providing GP services for Old Hall surgery, Stanney lane, Ellesmere Port?
 - Dr Tracy Shaw; Dr Marc England; DR Andrew McAlavey; Dr Emily Morton and Dr David Thorburn.
- 2) When is this contract due for renewal?
 The current General Medical Service (GMS) contract is due to terminate on 30 September 2019.
- 3) Will there be an open and transparent tendering process for the service at renewal? NHS West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group is in the process of starting a robust procurement process to ultimately award an Alternative Provider Medical Service (APMS) with a commencement date of 1 October 2019. The Clinical Commissioning Group will be supported by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) to ensure the process is in accordance with European Law.
- 4) What assurances do you have that there are no conflicts of interests involved in whomever may have been already chosen to take over the contract/will be chosen to take over without and open and transparent tendering process?
 NHS West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group complies with NHS England guidance on managing conflicts of interest. The NHS West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group Conflicts of Interest policy and North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) determines all procurements must have 'Conflict of Interest' forms completed by all involved parties.

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5) Are any of the current people who hold the contract involved in any way with NHSE or West Cheshire CCG or the newly formed ICP? If so does this not represent a significant conflict of interest on the part of NHSE/CCG and contract holder(s)? Who are they and what are their roles?

One of the current partners holds the role of Medical Director at NHS West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group. This poses no conflict of interest with the impending procurement process for Old Hall Surgery as there will be no involvement with the process or application for the contract in accordance with the Clinical Commissioning Group Conflicts of Interest policy and NHS England guidance on managing conflicts of interest.

We hope this answers your enquiry sufficiently however, please do not hesitate to contact the Patient Experience & Governance Compliance Department, whose contact details can be found at the top of this letter, should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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