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Dear P J Ballinger

Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

On 02 July you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act, to both NHS Dorset and NHS Bournemouth and Poole relating to Health Visitor numbers.

From 01 July 2011 both organisations, named above, became the Pan Dorset Cluster with an overall Chief Executive and Board. I am, therefore, responding to your request on behalf of the Pan Dorset Cluster and can advise you that neither NHS Bournemouth and Poole nor NHS Dorset holds the information you have requested. This information is held by Dorset Healthcare University NHS Foundation Trust.

By way of explanation:

On 01 July 2011, in line with the requirement of the government's NHS Operating Framework 2010/11, NHS Bournemouth and Poole and NHS Dorset became commissioning organisations only. The PCT provider arms, which include Health Visitors, separated from NHS Bournemouth and Poole and NHS Dorset and are now under the jurisdiction of Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust.

To place a request, under the Freedom of Information Act, with Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust, the contact details you require are:

Chris Harvey

General Manager Business Development and Corporate Assurance/Board Secretary

Dorset Healthcare University NHS Foundation Trust

Trust Headquarters
11 Shelley Road
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I trust that your request has been discharged.

If you are unhappy with this response, you are entitled to request an internal review of our decision, handled where possible by a member of staff not directly involved in the initial decision. If you wish to request such a review, please write direct to The Interim Chief Executive, NHS Dorset, 3rd Floor, West Wing, Vespasian House, Bridport Road, Dorchester DT1 1TS. We aim to deal with requests for internal review within three weeks of receipt, although where the issues involved are very complicated this period may be extended up to a total of six weeks.

If you have queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number and I shall be pleased to offer any further assistance that you may require.

Yours sincerely

Suzanne Rastrick

Interim Chief Executive NHS Bournemouth and Poole

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