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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Further to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding health visitor numbers and caseloads prior to transforming community services.

NHS Merseyside cluster consists of Liverpool PCT, NHS Halton & St Helens, NHS Knowsley and NHS Sefton. The information provided relates to NHS Sefton.

Request:

Dear Sefton Primary Care Trust (PCT),

Would you be so kind as to provide:

1. Health Visitor caseload numbers of children for 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012. (Please provide average (mean) caseload size, median and range)
2. Numbers of Health Visitors/Public Health Nurse Practitioners at grade 6 AfC
Numbers of Public Health Nurses at grade 5 AfC
Numbers of Nursery Nurses at grade 4 AfC for the following years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012

Response:

As health visiting is a provider service and since April 2011 PCTs were no longer able to directly provide services, PCT provider services moved into new organisations. Sefton provider services moved into Liverpool Community Trust who will have the historical information you have requested.

We would recommend you redirect your enquiry to Liverpool Community Healthcare Trust
<http://www.liverpoolcommunityhealth.nhs.uk/>

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review process is available, which will be managed by a FOI Appeals Officer, Head of Corporate

Governance. This can be formally requested and must be done within a reasonable period of time (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the response to a request for information that falls within the Environmental Information Regulations you should make a representation for a review to the Head of Corporate Governance, NHS Merseyside, within 40 days of receipt of the response.

If you are not satisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at;

ICO, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you need any further clarification or assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Debbie Fairclough', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Debbie Fairclough
Head of Governance – NHS Merseyside