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Dear Ms Llieska

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 24th October 2022 by NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board (ICB). The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding the latest Meeting Minutes of your 3 different committees.

Could you please provide the latest meeting minutes for:

1. Clinical Advisory Group

I can confirm that NHS Kent and Medway ICB does not hold this information. A clinical advisory group (CAG) was originally planned as part of the integrated care system governance arrangements. However, it was subsequently determined that this would not be necessary given the other committees and new decision-making.

2. Pharmacy, Optometry and Dentistry Commissioning Committee

I can confirm that NHS Kent and Medway ICB does hold this information. Please see the attached Appendix A.

Note 1 Redactions

*Please note that some names of individuals have been redacted from the document as this information constitutes personal data and is therefore exempt under Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 40(2) (Personal Information).

3. System Quality Group at Kent and Medway NHS Integrated Care Board (ICB)?

I can confirm that NHS Kent and Medway ICB does hold this information. Please see the attached Appendix B.

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Note 2 Redactions

**NHS Kent and Medway ICB believe this information is exempt from disclosure under Section 41 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000). Section 41 - Information provided in confidence, sets out an exemption from the right to know, if the information in question was provided to the public authority in confidence. The two components to this exemption are the information must have been obtained by the public authority from another person, company or entity and disclosure of the information would give rise to an actionable breach of confidence. A duty of confidence arises when one person (the "confidant") is provided with information by another (the "confider") in the expectation that the information will only be used or disclosed in accordance with the wishes of the confider, which in this instance is the case.

We hope that this has dealt with your request for information however, should you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to request that we conduct an internal review of the way we have handled your request. If you would like us to conduct such a review please contact us within two months of this letter:

Email kmicb.foi@nhs.net or

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Your request for an internal review will then be processed in accordance with our Freedom of Information Policy. If you are still dissatisfied following the internal review, you have the right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner provides full and detailed guidance on the Freedom of Information Act and on when and how to complain.

Please find below the link to their website page and their helpline number.

<https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/>

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113

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In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response, which will protect your anonymity, will be posted on the NHS Kent and Medway ICB website.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team
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