

22 July 2020

John Lubbock

By email

Request-672560-cd10f06b@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Mr Lubbock

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “FOI Act”)

We refer to your email of 24 June 2020 in which you requested information under the FOI Act from NHS Improvement. Since 1 April 2016, Monitor and the NHS Trust Development Authority have been operating as an integrated organisation known as NHS Improvement. For the purposes of this decision, NHS Improvement means Monitor and the TDA.

Your request

You made the following request:

“I am writing to request a list of any contracts signed between NHS Improvement and any of the Artificial Intelligence tech companies Deepmind, Swiftkey, Babylon Health, Faculty Science Limited and Palantir between the beginning of 2019 and June 24, 2020.

These companies have been actively engaging and promoting their services to the NHS, but I am not certain that all the contracts signed by these companies and public bodies have been published on the ContractsFinder website, and this is why I would like to request a specific list of any contracts which have been signed by NHS Improvement with these firms.”

Decision

NHS Improvement does not hold the information that you have requested.

We have reviewed our records and can confirm NHS Improvement has not signed any contracts with the artificial intelligence tech companies you reference between 01 January 2019 and 24 June 2020.

Review rights

If you consider that your request for information has not been properly handled or if you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you can try to resolve this informally with the person who dealt with your request. If you remain dissatisfied, you may seek an

internal review within NHS Improvement of the issue or the decision. A senior member of NHS Improvement's staff, who has not previously been involved with your request, will undertake that review.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether your request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the FOI Act.

A request for an internal review should be submitted in writing to FOI Request Reviews, NHS Improvement, Skipton House, 80 London Road, London SE1 6LH or by email to nhsi.foi@nhs.net.

Publication

Please note that this letter will shortly be published on our website. This is because information disclosed in accordance with the FOI Act is disclosed to the public at large. We will, of course, remove your personal information (e.g. your name and contact details) from the version of the letter published on our website to protect your personal information from general disclosure.

Yours sincerely,

NHS Improvement