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Dear Sir / Madam

FOI Request: Dental contracts in Barnet

Thank you for your enquiry requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do hold the information that you have requested. I will address each of your questions in turn:

1. How many new NHS Dental/UDA contracts were awarded to dental practices in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 (please provide breakdown for each year)

Response:

Nil

2. How many dental practices in Barnet had lost their NHS contract during each of the above years

Response:

2007 - 3
2008 - 4
2009 - 3
2010 - 1
2011 - 2

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3. What is the likelihood or process to obtain a new contract for a new dental surgery that opens up in Barnet?

Response:

There is no likelihood to obtain new contract currently as there is adequate provision of NHS dental services within Barnet.

4. How many new contracts are pending at present to be awarded or are under consideration?

Response:

Nil

5. If an existing surgery in Barnet is taken over (because the proprietor is retiring), what are the rules and regulation to moving that surgery to another location and will a contract be rescinded if the surgery moves e.g. 1-2 miles away?

Response:

Approval to provide NHS dental services is premises specific. Any move must be approved by the PCT. Given that it is deemed there is adequate service provision the likelihood of approval to move any distance is very low.

I hope you find this information useful, however, if you are dissatisfied with this response, NHS North Central London operates a complaints procedure, details of which can be found at the bottom of this letter.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on 020 7685 6286 or at the address shown above.

Yours sincerely

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