



**By email**

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Dear S Smith

**Re: list of recipients of patient level data**

Thank you for your request for information received on 14 September 2016. Your email has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act. Under Section 1(1)(a) I can confirm that PHE holds the information you have requested.

**Please provide a complete list of all recipients of patient level data (i.e. where a record relates to a patient) from PHE in July 2016, and a description of the data they received. For each release, please include the organisation name and type, and the details provided in sections 3, 4 and 6 (or project summary, data specification, and legal gateway) of your current application form (or equivalent, as seen at <http://www.ncin.org.uk/view?rid=2989> )**

**This information should form part of an adequate data release register, but is missing from yours, for reasons you state on the website: "This register details any explicitly or potentially identifiable data releases made by the Office for Data Release".**

All patient level data releases managed via the Office for Data Release (ODR) are published in the ODR Data Release Register (<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/public-health-england-data-release-register>). Updates to the Data Release Register will occur on a quarterly financial year basis and July 2016 releases will be made available in the next update. Therefore, in accordance with the Section 22 – information intended *for future publication*, exemption, the information you have requested is exempt from disclosure.


Under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act, public authorities are not obliged to provide information that is intended for future publication. In line with the terms of this exemption in the Act, we have considered whether;

- maintaining access to data in a co-ordinated manner to all people at the same time, as well as
- ensuring the quality and integrity of data

In this case, we have concluded that the public interest favours withholding the information.

Our view that Section 22 applies to your request is based on the judgement that the public interest will be better served by general publication, when complete. Disclosure now, to a single individual, of incomplete data and therefore potentially misleading information would not be in the public interest.

For patient level data not released via the Office for Data Release, the July 2016 releases are detailed below:

 Public Health England		OFFICIAL				
	Releasing and responding to the information					
	Register of July 2016 releases of record-level data for secondary use purposes outside of PHE					
	Data recipient	Organisation type	Purpose for data release	Data source	Data type provided to applicant	Legal basis for data release
	Kings College London	Academic institution	To identify whether inequalities exist in terms of the amount of social support that is received by people in England following flooding and test whether received social support and / or the presence of social disruption affect mental health through 'direct' or 'buffering' mechanisms.	English National Study on Flooding and Health, Field Epidemiology Service, National Infection Service	Potentially identifiable	Consent
	University of Liverpool	Academic institution	Part of Integrate Study (acute gastrointestinal infections in the community), lab data analysed to generate outcome measures for the study. Questionnaire data is used to send out follow up packs to those patients who have consented to take part.	NHS Diagnostic Laboratory Data, Integrate Study Questionnaire and consent data	Identifiable	Consent
	University of Lancaster	Academic institution	Overall project: Fully integrated, real-time detection, diagnosis and control of community diarrhoeal disease clusters and outbreaks in order to develop real-time models to predict and model the spread and distribution of gastrointestinal diseases in the community, real-time data pertaining to these infections are required.	PHE/111 syndromic surveillance system	Potentially identifiable	Regulation 3 (s251)

If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer your query to me in writing in the first instance. If you remain dissatisfied and would like to request an internal review, then please contact us at the address above or by emailing [foi@phe.gov.uk](mailto:foi@phe.gov.uk)

Please note that you have the right to an independent review by the Information Commissioner's Office if a complaint cannot be resolved through the PHE complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted by writing to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer