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Dear Justin

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

NHS Bradford District and Craven Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is pleased to respond to your request for information and our response is set out below.

Request

Under the FOI act, could you kindly please provide me with a current list of the of all Practice Managers & their NHS issued email addresses within your CCG for the relevant GP surgeries they manage.

Whilst phone numbers are provided for each surgery on other web services, Practice Managers names and direct NHS email addresses are not and given the domains of those email addresses are not given to the general public such as Gmail & Yahoo they should not be deemed as private.

Response

The CCG can confirm we do have a list of practices that include details of the practice managers and contact email addresses. However, the listed emails are not nhs.net issued email accounts (CCG email accounts).

Under the FOIA 2000, GP practices are responsible for their own FOI requests and therefore apply Exemption 21, as the information would be directly available from each practice.

We also have applied Exemption 40(2) for the email addresses for practice managers, it should be requested directly from the practice; the staff in question are not employees of the CCG and would not expect us to release their information when the request should be direct for them to provide their details.

The CCG website does provide a list of all the GP practices and links to each GP practice website, please see link below;

<https://www.bradfordcravenccg.nhs.uk/about-us/our-gp-practices-2/>

Exemption s21

NHS Bradford Districts and Craven CCG are applying a section 21 exemption to this information, as allowed by the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This allows information to be exempted from disclosure where this information is already reasonably accessible by other means. This is an absolute exemption and therefore not subject to the public interest test.

Exemption s40

We have not provided the names and email address of GP practice managers as NHS Bradford Districts and Craven CCG believe that disclosure of this information constitutes third party data. Section 40(2) provides that personal data about third parties is exempt information if one of the conditions set out in section 40(3) is satisfied. This would breach Article 5 (a) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Section 2 (1) (a) of the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) which both call for lawful and fair processing of personal data.

The CCG has decided that it would not be fair to release non-published email addresses of practice managers, and this information is therefore exempt under FOIA section 40(2). This is an absolute exemption and not subject to the public interest test.

Please remember to check our Publication Scheme before deciding to make a Freedom of Information request. Our publication scheme can be found on our website:

<https://www.bradfordcravenccg.nhs.uk/ccg-information/publication-scheme/>

Your right to a review

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, with regards to this Freedom of Information request, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner will not investigate your case unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

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Yours sincerely

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NHS Bradford District and Craven CCG