

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: IR2020/32486

10 July 2020

Dear Colin Dunn,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (Fol) internal review request received on 26 June. You asked:

I am writing to request an internal review of Department for Work and Pensions's handling of my FOI request 'Qualifications of medical and decision makers'.

My request has not been fulfilled

DWP Response:

In response to your request, I can confirm that the handling of your original request and response has now been appropriately reviewed and that I was unconnected with the handling of your original request.

Section 10(1) of the FOI Act places a duty on public authorities to respond to requests within twenty working days. With regard to FOI/ 26154, the department received your request on 30 May, and therefore we should have replied to you by 26 June. The department responded to your request on 1 July and therefore failed to meet our duty for which I apologise.

I have attached a copy of that reply for your information.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Fol Team

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF
Web: ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745