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Our Ref: FOI0015

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Dear Mr Jones,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which we received on 1 January 2016

You asked:

*please explain how the DWP/ATOS may withhold the name and details of the professional health assessors who may be summons by either party following due process.*

*Therefore please explain how the information of assessors /DWP decision makers can be withheld to a claimant pursuing the due process of the tribunal and the rule of law.*

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Yours sincerely

DWP Central FoI Team

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