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Dear Mr Davies

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding the Patient Transport Service within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/**Response**:

1. Taxis

a. Who currently provides the Trust's taxi service?

NHS South Sefton CCG does not have a contract for a taxi service.

b. What is the Trust's annual spend on all taxi services?

NHS South Sefton CCG has not incurred any expenditure to date.

c. Who is responsible for managing this service and what are their phone, email and postal contact details?

Not applicable.

d. How do you advertise this service for competitive tender, when did this last take place and when will it next be undertaken?

Not applicable.

2. PTS (Patient Transport Services)

a. Who currently provides the Trust's PTS service?

The North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust is the Lead Commissioner.

b. What is the Trust's annual spend on PTS?

NHS South Sefton CCG annual spend on PTS is £524,749.

South Sefton Clinical Commissioning Group

c. Who is responsible for managing this service and what are their phone, email and postal contact details?

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d. How do you advertise this service for competitive tender, when did this last take place and when will it next be undertaken?

The service was advertised on Supply2Health (www.supply2health.nhs.uk) and also OJEU (<http://ted.europa.eu>) in April 2012 for a contract start date of 1st April 2013. The contract was let for a 3-year period and therefore will be next advertised for a contract start date of 1st April 2016.

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review process is available, which will be managed by a FOI Appeals Officer.

This can be formally requested and must be done within a reasonable period of time (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the response to a request for information that falls within the Environmental Information Regulations you should make a representation for a review to FOI Appeals Officer, southseftonccg.foi@nhs.net within 40 days of receipt of the response.

If you are not satisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at;

ICO, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you need any further clarification or assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely,



Fiona Clark
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