

## **Business Services Authority**

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Dear Ms Pongracz

## **Subject: Freedom of information request**

I am writing to confirm that I have now completed my search for the information which you requested on 15 July 2020, as outlined below:

Dear NHS Business Services Authority, Thank you for publishing your spend data here: https://data.gov.uk/dataset/4394bd59-949b-4c50-a8af-c917514a9c2e/spend-over-25-000in-nhsbsa. However, I notice that you haven't published any spending data since April 2020. We understand that due to the COVID-19 pandemic it may not have been a priority to publish your spending data. However, we strongly believe that the spending data is critical to understanding how Government functions and this data is vital for our work. We would be extremely grateful if you could update this information as soon as reasonably possible. I'd like to make a request under the Freedom of Information act for all transactions over £25,000 from May 2020 to a month in arrears from the date at which you publish in response to this request. Please provide the data in a machine readable format (preferably csv). As a minimum, please make sure to include the date, value and recipient of each transaction. Please also provide details on the procurement category of each transaction if you have it. Your team may also be interested in the guidance on producing spending data: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-publishingspend-over-25000. For the avoidance of doubt, I am making this request under the Freedom of Information Act. I await your response within 20 working days.

A copy of the information is attached.

Please be advised that the only reports currently available are for May and June 2020. All future reports will be published to our website: https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/spend-over-ps25000

Please note that this information will be published on our Freedom of Information disclosure log at:

https://applications.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/FOI/foiRequestDetail.do?bo\_id=10314

## Please note that during to the on-going Covid-19 pandemic, there may be delays in publishing the data.

Your personal details will be removed from the published response.

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Details of how we will handle your review request are available on our website at:

## https://bit.ly/2Sjdk2H

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Please note that generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the NHS Business Services Authority's complaints procedure.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:-

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Tel: 01625 545 745 Fax: 01625 524 510

Email: enquiries@ico.gsi.gov.uk

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please quote the reference number above in any future.

Yours sincerely

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