

FOI Team | Optum Commissioning Support Services

South Kesteven District Council Offices,  
St Peters Hill  
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Lincolnshire,  
NG31 6PZ

17<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Dear Requester

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - RESPONSE**  
**FOI Reference: OPTUM FOI 400-642 – LE CCG**

I refer to your email received on 3 April 2019. I can confirm on behalf of NHS Lincolnshire East Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG) supported by Optum Commissioning Support Services, and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each element of your request is detailed below:

**REQUEST**

1.0 How many of each of the following staff types are currently working for the organisation on a temporary (agency) basis:

- CHC Assessors
- Mental Health Practitioners
- Qualified Social Workers
- Best Interests Assessors
- Approved Mental Health Practitioners

2.0 How much did your organisation spend on temporary (agency) workers in each of the following categories in the calendar year 2018:

- CHC Assessors
- Mental Health Practitioners
- Qualified Social Workers
- Best Interests Assessors
- Approved Mental Health Practitioners

**RESPONSE**

Please be advised the CCG does not have any of the staff types listed above working for the organisation on a temporary (agency) basis and therefore cannot provide answers for questions 1 and 2 detailed above.

I trust that this answers your queries with the information we currently hold, but if we can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to

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If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the CCGs.

The Information Commissioner's contact details can be found here:

<https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>

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Yours faithfully

**FOI Team**  
**On behalf of NHS Lincolnshire East CCG**