

FOI Team | Optum Commissioning Support Services

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

29<sup>th</sup> August 2018

Dear Requester

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - RESPONSE FOI Reference: OPTUM FOI 400-472 – LE CCG

I refer to your email received on 1 August 2018. 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**

I am writing to request data under the Freedom of Information (2000) regarding the length of time between referral and starting treatment for psychological therapies, for patients referred in July 2018. I include in this all talking therapies offered within your service, and all methods of referral.

## **RESPONSE**

This information is not held by the CCG. Your FOI Request should be redirected to the Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation Trust (LPFT) FOI Team, who may hold this information. They can be contacted via <a href="mailto:FOIrequest@lpft.nhs.uk">FOIrequest@lpft.nhs.uk</a>

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: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/">https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/</a>

All information we have provided is subject to the provisions of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015. Accordingly, if the information has been made available for re-

use under the <u>Open Government Licence</u> (OGL) a request to re-use is not required, but the licence conditions must be met. You <u>must</u> not re-use any previously unreleased information without having the consent from the CCG. Should you wish to re-use previously unreleased information then you must make your request in writing (email will suffice) to the FOI Lead. All requests for re-use will be responded to within 20 working days of receipt.

Yours faithfully

FOI Team
On behalf of NHS Lincolnshire East CCG