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Dear,

**Re: Request for information under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received on Monday 14 August 2017

The CCG is confirming in accordance with Section - (1) (a) of the Act, it holds the information requested and (b) is supplying it unless otherwise specified.

I can confirm that NHS Northern, Eastern and Western Devon CCG hold part of the requested information.

You requested the following information.

- 1) What criteria, if any, has been stipulated by your CCG in relation to the provision of bariatric surgery? (e.g surgery restricted to BMI over 45 and/or other co-morbidities, surgery only for those with BMI over 50)**

NHS NEW Devon CCG adopted the NHS England Bariatric policy on the 1 April 2017; the policy is published on our website here; [https://www.newdevonccg.nhs.uk/Bariatric%20surgery%20for%20adults%20commissioning%20position%20\(April%202017\)1-100430](https://www.newdevonccg.nhs.uk/Bariatric%20surgery%20for%20adults%20commissioning%20position%20(April%202017)1-100430)

All clinical commissioning policies including eligibility criteria are available on the CCG website here; <https://www.newdevonccg.nhs.uk/medicines-and-treatments/commissioning-policies-100413>

**2) When was the criteria introduced?**

This detail is included in the policies

**3) How many patients have been refused bariatric surgery since the criteria was introduced?**

The CCG do not hold this information.

**4) How many patients have received bariatric surgery since the criteria was introduced and how much has this cost the CCG?**

41 patients received bariatric surgery according to the definition of morbid obesity surgery between April and June 2017.

The cost of the inpatient spells is £209,522

**Satisfaction**

I trust this matter has been dealt with to your satisfaction but if there is anything which you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the office on 01392 205205 or by email at [d-ccg.foi@nhs.net](mailto:d-ccg.foi@nhs.net) Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you can write to the office and arrangements will be made for an independent review. You of course can write directly to the CCGs Chief Officer if you prefer using the “contact us” details displayed on the CCG website.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the appeal, you have the right to appeal again to the Information Commissioner at:  
Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 700

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Yours sincerely,

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Chief Officer: Dr Nick Roberts

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