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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 Friday 10 November 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.

You requested the following information.

As part of the Freedom of Information process, please provide the following information in electronic format regarding the use and funding of health apps in NHS Northern, Eastern And Western Devon CCG.

1) Does your CCG have a policy on the use of health apps?

The CCG does not have a policy on the use of health apps.

2) If yes, please provide the policy (or policies) and contact details.

Not applicable

3) Do you currently have specific budgets for the use of health apps within your CCG?

There is no specific budget for the use of health apps.

4) If yes, please provide a contact for any budgets related to the use of health apps.

Not applicable

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5) Are there individual health apps specified for patient use? Please provide a list of these.

The CCG does commission the use of the HANDi Paediatric App which is available to see from our website here;

<https://www.newdevonccg.nhs.uk/information-for-patients/handi-paediatric-app-101832>

The HANDi App was developed by the Paediatric team at Musgrove Hospital. Further information is published on their website here;

<http://www.tsft.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/innovation-projects/handi-paediatric-specialist-advice-when-and-where-you-need-it/>

6) If yes, please specify which of these health apps is paid for by the CCG.

The CCG pays an annual license for the HANDi App

7) Please specify who is responsible for the funding of each app that is paid for by the CCG and provide contact details?

The fee is paid from the Communications team budget.

The Communications team can be contacted by email: D-CCG.Communications@nhs.net

You may provide the answers to question 5, 6, and 7 in an excel sheet.

Definition “health app”: A health app is an application optimised for smartphone or tablet use which delivers an intervention to the patient, including but not limited to: Education, coaching, peer to peer support, Health Care Professional support, collection of health data such as blood glucose values, heart rate, pulse, weight etc., and assistance in managing a health condition such as COPD. The app can be part of a wider service offered to the CCG (for example myCOPD). Any software that solely relies upon desktop systems or is fully web browser based are excluded.

Definition “specified for patient use”: Made available to the patient by prescription, referral or recommendation by either a healthcare professional or through a CCG run programme such as the CCG website or an initiative.

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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 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

Fax: 01625 524 510

Legal information pertaining to the release of this information

Please note that the information being provided to you is for information only and remains subject to existing intellectual property rights; no license for the re-use of this information is given or implied through its provision to you.

Yours sincerely,

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