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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DECISION NOTICE

Dear Requester

FOI Reference Number: 72462

I refer to your email of 06 February 2024 requesting information in relation to private mental health and consultancy services.

I can confirm on behalf of NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do hold some of the information that you have requested. Please see further details below:

Purchase of bed capacity in the private mental health sector:

We would like to know the following information for the past 5 calendar years (please break this down into 2019, 2020 etc).

- 1. The total contracted spend on private in-patient mental health beds by the ICB.**
Nil – all spend on private in-patient mental health beds is non-contracted.
- 2. The breakdown of the contracted spend on private in-patient mental health beds by the ICB (how much has been spent on CAMHS, older adult, PICU, general adult etc).**
Please see response to Question 1.
- 3. The total non-contracted/ ad-hoc/ unplanned spend on private in-patient mental health beds by the ICB.**
Please see the attached file (FOI 72462 response (Qu 1)) All spend is non-contracted. The information requested is not held by calendar years. The information in the attached file has been provided by financial years.

4. The breakdown of the non-contracted/ ad-hoc/ unplanned spend on private in-patient mental health beds by the ICB.

This information is not held by the ICB. I would recommend you contact [Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust](#) directly for the information you require.

Purchase of “Consultancy services”:

We would like to know the following information for the past 5 calendar years (please break this down into 2019, 2020 etc).

Please give a breakdown of your total spend on “consultancy services” - providing information about company names, services provided, and any accountability/ efficiency reports created.

Please see the attached file (Response FOI 72462 consultancy 4Mar24).

Please note the following in relation to the data in the attached file:

- *the nature of the organisation has changed from 4 CCGs into one CCG and then into the ICB over this time period.*
- *Figures for 2023/2024 are not complete - 11 months of the year are shown to the end of February 2024.*
- *Details of the provider, financial value and description of services has been given but we cannot provide associated reports - nor do we know if there were any.*

Spend on Private Finance Initiatives:

We would like to know the following information for the past 5 calendar years (please break this down into 2019, 2020 etc).

The ICB does not have any Private Finance Initiative (PFI) schemes

- 1. Please give a breakdown of total spend on Private Finance Initiatives (both capital pay back, and also PFI interest payments).**
- 2. Please state the end-date for all PFI payments (both capital pay back and also PFI interest payments).**
- 3. Please state what the total PFI spend is estimated to be (both capital pay back and also PFI interest payments), when all repayments have been made.**

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

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

Arden & GEM Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit
FOI TEAM/Corporate Communications Team
1st Floor, St John's House
East Street
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Yours faithfully

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***On behalf of
NHS Lincolnshire ICB***