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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DECISION NOTICE**

Dear Requester

**FOI Reference Number:** 72352

I refer to your email of 23 January 2024 requesting information in relation to referrals to fertility units.

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 not hold the information that you have requested. Please see further details below:

**I'd like to request, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that you please provide answers to the following questions, along with any related details.**

**1) The total annual number of referrals to fertility units within your ICS in years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023**

There are no fertility units within Lincolnshire.

To assist you further you can find a list of fertility providers on the Lincolnshire ICB's website which was provided as part of a previous Freedom of Information response – please see the relevant link below:

<https://lincolnshire.icb.nhs.uk/documents/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log-august-2022/freedom-of-information-ref-69239-attachment-list-of-east-midlands-ivf-fertility-providers/?layout=default>

**2) How many of these referrals, per year, were rejected?**

Not applicable

**3) What was the average waiting list time for referrals, per year, to fertility units within your ICS?**

Not applicable

**4) How many of these referrals, per year, were rejected due to missing/incomplete tests?**

Not applicable

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  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, St John's House  
East Street  
Leicester  
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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 the ICB.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: telephone 0303 123 1113,  
email [icocasework@ico.org.uk](mailto:icocasework@ico.org.uk) and <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>

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Yours faithfully

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**On behalf of  
NHS Lincolnshire ICB**