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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DECISION NOTICE

Dear Requester

FOI Reference Number: 71960

I refer to your email of 16 November 2023 requesting information in relation to Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) hubs.

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 the information that you have requested. A response to each element of your request is detailed below.

I would like to make a formal request under the Freedom of Information Act for information relating to the providers of Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) hubs within Lincolnshire ICS for the current year.

Can you please provide the following information:

- **Which of the following high impact intervention areas have been chosen as an priority this winter:**

The Lincolnshire system is focussed on ensuring that all high impact interventions are implemented and they are currently all are in place to varying degrees. In relation to the maturity assessment we undertook and submitted, our priorities were identified as ARI hubs and Virtual Wards

- **Same day emergency care**
- **Frailty**
- **Inpatient flow and length of stay (Acute)**
- **Community bed productivity and flow**
- **Care transfer hubs**
- **Immediate care demand and capacity**
- **Virtual wards**
- **Urgent community response**
- **Single point of access**
- **Acute respiratory infection hubs**

- **The names of all providers responsible for operating acute respiratory hubs within Lincolnshire ICS.**

3 x ARI hubs in Lincolnshire delivered by Welby Medical, Lincolnshire & District Medical Services (LADMS) and South Lincs Rural Primary Care Network

- **Details of any contracts or agreements between the ICB and the providers of these services, including start and end dates.**

The NHS Standard contract is in place for all ARI hubs and the expiry for all contracts is 31/03/2024.

Welby Medical – commencement 25/09/2023

LADMS and SLRPCN commencement – 02/10/2023

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
Leicester
LE1 6NB

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Yours faithfully

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**On behalf of
NHS Lincolnshire ICB**