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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which was received into this office on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2015.

## You Asked for:

I am seeking details of financial links between pharmaceutical/medical device companies and doctors/officials involved in providing advice/making decisions on which drugs CCGs should use/prescribe. This includes the practice of doctors/officials taking part in paid "advisory board" meetings for such firms.

I note that the NHS standards of business conduct state that "work with another organisation which might be in a position to supply goods/services" to the NHS could conflict with an employee's NHS work and should be declared.

I also note that while many CCGs publish conflict of interest's registers, the public registers generally do not cover officials responsible for medicines management and pharmacy, or senior pharmaceutical advisors.

I would be grateful if you could fill in the attached template for any such officials, or equivalent, as well as other members of your CCG's governing body and its prescribing committees.

As you will see from the attached template I am requesting details of:

- a) Payments from pharmaceutical/medical device companies (please name the companies and include payment amounts), and the nature of any work.
   There have been no payments from pharmaceutical / medical device companies
  - There have been no payments from pharmaceutical / medical device companies made to members of the CCG's Governing Body or its prescribing committees within 2014/15.
- b) Gifts/hospitality/trips funded by such firms (including names of the companies and value of benefit where available please).
  - There have been no gifts / hospitality / trips from pharmaceutical / medical device companies made to members of the CCG's Governing Body or its prescribing committees within 2014/15.

Please include any interests from the last financial year (2014/2015), where the benefit came from a pharmaceutical or medical device company.

I have included the link below to the Register of Interests, which is available on our website:

https://www.wirralccg.nhs.uk/Downloads/AboutUs/FOI/HR/191%20Attachment%20Conflicts%20of%20Interest.pdf

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