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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 by the Corporate Affairs Team on Wednesday 26th April 2017.

You Asked for:

As my local CCG, NHS Wirral CCG, can you tell me how you are ensuring that NHS trusts are appropriately resourced? Can you guarantee that people with secondary breast cancer have access to a clinical nurse specialist who has the right skills, the right knowledge, the right experience and enough time?

Our Response:

NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) commission cancer services from Wirral University Teaching Hospital (WUTH). In addition, to services provided by WUTH, residents on the Wirral can access services from Clatterbridge Cancer Centre and providers in Liverpool and Chester; these are commissioned by a combination of NHS England, Liverpool CCG and West Cheshire CCG.

Clatterbridge Cancer Centre (CCC), commissioned by NHS England, routinely manages secondary breast disease for Wirral patients. I would advise for you to liaise with CCC direct to request this further information, as this is not held by the CCG. I have included their contact information below for your information:

<https://www.clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk/about-centre/access-to-information/freedom-information-foi>

WUTH provides ad hoc care for advanced breast cancer patients through four Macmillan Breast Cancer Nurses, this is not a specialist service as the principle remit is for the diagnosis and management of primary breast cancer.

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