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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 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

### You Asked for:

1. How many patients have received compression tights and/or stockings funded by the CCG in the management of Lipoedema in the last 12 months?
2. How many patients have received Manual Lymphatic Drainage massage (MLD) funded by the CCG for the management of Lipoedema in the last 12 months?
3. How many patients have received funded surgical intervention for Lipoedema funded by the CCG in the last 12 months?

### Our Response:

1. NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group are unable to identify the diagnosis of the patient on prescribing data, therefore cannot identify whether a patient has been prescribed compression tights or stockings for lipoedema, lymphedema or other reasons.
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3. Lipoedema does not appear as a diagnosis code in the hospital data, therefore we are unable to provide this information.

For further information, I recommend that you redirect your query to our service provider, I have included their details below:

Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust - [wih-tr.AccessToInformationOffice@nhs.net](mailto:tr.AccessToInformationOffice@nhs.net)

We hope this information is useful, however if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Corporate Affairs Team (contact details at the top of this letter)

Yours sincerely

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