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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 18th April 2018.

You Asked for:

1. What is the name of your CCG/Trust/Health board?
2. How many of the people in your community are diagnosed with diabetes? (Please indicate numerical value):
 - Type 1 Diabetes:
 - Type 2 Diabetes:If unknown differentiation, please indicate total amount:
3. What role does your CCG/Trust/Health board play in the reimbursement process for digital solutions?
 - 3.1 If you are not the direct decision maker of reimbursement, can your CCG/Trust/Health board still pay for medical products to give access to patients?
4. Who affects the decision-making process of reimbursement decisions for digital health solutions in the UK? Please specify what power they hold in the process. (If more than one, please rank them by influence, 1 being the most influential).
 - 4.1. How would you describe the interest of the stakeholders you identified above? (e.g. cost reduction, care improvement,...)?

5. What criteria are most important for your CCG/Trust/Health board when commissioning digital solutions (e.g. cost, newness, effectiveness,...)? Please rank the criteria, 1 being the most important.

6. Are you interested in partnerships with pharmaceutical companies? If yes, please what you are seeking from such partnerships.

7. How does your CCG/Trust/Health board evaluate whether to commission a product for diabetes care?

8. Does your CCG/Trust/Health board have a policy on the use of health apps?

If yes, please specify the health policy(ies):

If no, please provide if and when this will be established:

9. Does your CCG/Trust/Health board currently have a budget to use for health apps?

If no, please provide if and when this will be established:

Our Response:

1. NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).
2. Type 1 Diabetes: 1,623
Type 2 Diabetes: 18,029
- 3-5. NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) do not fund or reimburse digital solutions and the CCG does not currently support Health Apps. However, the Wirral Care Record and Health Information Exchange is a digital platform which Healthy Wirral partners support through the Global Digital Exemplar funding. This was successfully bid for in 2015 and is NHS England supported.
6. The CCG pharmaceutical industry policy will always be used when considering any joint working with pharmaceutical industry colleagues.
7. The CCG procurement and commissioning process is adhered to when evaluating the commissioning of any product including those for diabetes care
8. The CCG does not have a policy on the use of health apps and has no plans to establish one at the moment
9. The CCG has a general Communications and Engagement budget but not a specific budget for health apps.

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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