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## Re: Freedom of Information Request - Lloyd George Digitisation

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received into this office on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

## You Asked for:

- 1. Has the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) deployed a cross-practice approach to the digitisation (scanning) of Lloyd George (LG) patient records?
  - a. If so, who is the supplier the CCG has contracted with?
  - b. When was the contract awarded and for how long?
  - c. How may patient files are in scope for the digitisation project?
  - d. If not outsourced, is the digitisation managed internally by CCG/practice staff?
- 2. If the CCG has not yet started to digitise Lloyd George records across its GP estate, does the CCG know roughly how many Lloyd George records exist in a physical form?
- 3. Are these physical LG files stored within the respective practice?
- 4. Are any physical LG files stored with a third-party storage company, off-site?
  - a. if so, roughly how many (files or boxes is fine)?
  - b. What is the annual cost to the CCG for the storage of physical patient files within third party storage companies?
- 5. Is there a uniformed Electronic Document Management (EDM) system deployed across all practice surgeries?
  - a. if so, which EDM system has been deployed?
  - b. when was the contract awarded and how long for?
  - c. if not, which individual systems are currently being used across the estate?
- 6. Who within the CCG is responsible for the digitisation of Lloyd George records across the CCG estate, in-line with the NHS England timelines?
  - a. Please provide name, job title and email address
- 7. Please also provide the details for:
  - a. Chief Financial Officer (or equivalent)
  - b. Chief Information Officer (or equivalent)
  - c. Chief Clinical Information Officer (or equivalent)
  - d. Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent)

## **Our Response:**

- 1. NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) does not hold any patient records.
- 2. Please see the answer for question number 1.

- 3. Please see the answer for question number 1.
- 4. Please see the answer for question number 1.
- 5. Please see the answer for question number 1.
- 6. Please see the answer for question number 1.
- 7. Please see below:
  - Chief Financial Officer (or equivalent) Mark Chidgey
  - NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has a service level agreement with Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit (MLCSU) to provide ICT support. Any Freedom of Information requests concerning MLCSU should be sent to NHS England. I have included their details below for your information, should you wish to contact them directly:

Email - england.contactus@nhs.net

Telephone - 0300 311 2233

- Chief Clinical Information Officer (or equivalent) Simon Delaney
- Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) Simon Banks

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)

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