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**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000  
GP Practice Closures**

Thank you for your information request indicated in bold below, which has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB). I can provide you with the following information and responses.

Please note from 01 July 2022, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) were disestablished, and their statutory functions and responsibilities inherited by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB.

**Your Request:**

- a) How many GP surgeries in your ICS footprint closed (not including mergers with other practices) in each year from 2018-2022 (inclusive);**
- b) How many patients were registered at the surgeries when they closed?**
- c) How many GP practices in your ICS footprint closed their list to new registrations in each year from 2018-2022 (inclusive)**

**Our Response:**

Please find listed below the requested information held regarding member GP Practice closures in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB for the financial years 2018/19 to 2022/23:

**Cheshire**

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	0	1	1	2	2

## Halton

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	0	0	0	0	0

## Knowsley

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	0	0	0	1	0

## Liverpool

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	6	1	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	16,352	2,354	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	0	0	0	0	0

### Sefton

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	4	4	3	1	2

### St Helens

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	3	1	0	1	1

### Warrington

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	0	0	0	0	0

## Wirral

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
a) Number of GP practices that closed (not including mergers)	0	0	0	0	0
b) Total number of patients who were registered with the GP practices when they closed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c) Number of GP Practices who closed their list at any point to new registrations	0	0	0	1	0

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that, where you are not satisfied with the response to your request for information, a formal complaints and internal review process is available.

This can be formally requested by emailing [foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk) and must be done within a reasonable time period (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you remain dissatisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at;

*The Information Commissioner's Office*  
*Wycliffe House*  
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