

Ref: FOI/00397/CMICB

TBC June 2023

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Pharmaceutical Representative Request Form**

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 am able to 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:

I would be grateful if you could provide a copy of the current Pharmaceutical Representative Request Form (in Word Format) that should be used by Pharmaceutical Representatives when engaging with the Medicines Management team within the ICB.

If the ICB does not have a form please indicate how a Pharmaceutical Representative should engage with the ICB.

Our Response:

Requests by pharmaceutical representatives to engage with the Cheshire Medicines Strategy and Optimisation Team can be made by emailing: cmicb-cheshire.medicinesoptimisationteam@nhs.net

Requests by pharmaceutical representatives to engage with the Pan Mersey Medicines Management Team can be made by emailing: medsmanagement.bevan@nhs.net

Please be advised that a draft NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB policy is currently awaiting approval, which includes a revised centralised process and form for pharmaceutical representatives to contact NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB in the future.

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 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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk*

Should you need any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us quoting the above FOI reference.