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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

- 1. Please can you provide a summary of the types of audiology services in your area including what your service age threshold is, what type of contractual arrangements are in place (AQP/block/ cost per case contract/included in local secondary care Trust contract etc.) and your CCG registered population size?**

Procurement of audiology services, are the responsibility of East Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group.

Would you please direct your request to them direct via the email below:

scwcsu.esussex.foi@nhs.net

- 2. Please provide the names of the Adult non-complex Audiology Providers in your area and how long the contract with these providers has been in place?**

Not applicable.

- 3. If you have not already renewed or testing the market for adult audiology services, does your CCG have intentions of procuring the service, how and when? If not, why not?**

Not applicable.

- 4. What is your tariff (or price) for the following non-complex adult audiology services for NHS and independent sector (please complete table). If it defers with between providers please can you provide all financial information.**

Not applicable.

5. Please can you provide any information on benchmarking, comparison or financial modelling activity or methodology utilised by your CCG relating to your current tariff?

Not applicable.

6. Can you confirm if the above referenced tariffs for your area are inclusive of VAT?

Not applicable.

7. Please can you provide a copy of your service specification, tender questions, evaluation model and Schedule 4 Quality report template for the current audiology contract?

Not applicable.

8. Do the service/s you commission offer a one stop assess and fit service (completed in one appointment)for people with hearing loss?

Not applicable.

9. What follow-up/annual aftercare arrangements are offered to patients who have received a hearing aid fitting from the services you commission?

Not applicable.

10. Are adult hearing loss services in your CCG area commissioned on the basis of activity (e.g. number of procedures performed) or on the basis of outcome (e.g. patient outcome data)?

Not applicable.

11. Please provide details of the last time that you tested the market for your adult audiology service including dates, number of providers who expressed an interest in the notice.

Not applicable.

12. Please provide details of the outcome of the last audiology procurement or market testing exercise including,

- a. Were you able to award the contract, if not why not?

Not applicable.

- b. Was there any changes to the service specification, contract or price during or after the procurement/market testing exercise?

Not applicable.

- c. Were there any substantial or legal challenge from current or perspective providers on the procurement process and why?**

Not applicable.

- d. Please explain how any challenges to the procurement of the contract were managed by your CCG**

Not applicable.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, please write to the Freedom of Information Department, esh-tr.foi@nhs.net, quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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