

Ref: FOI/00483/CMICB
28 July 2023

Dear,

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Online Contraception**

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:

- 1) Who provides online contraception in your localities?**
- 2) How many patients are accessing – by year?**
- 3) How many patients overall – by year?**
- 4) How have their wait time changed over this period?**
- 5) Any evaluation or benefits review that can be shared on introducing online access for contraception?**
- 6) What is the overall impact on the demand of introducing online access for contraception?**

Our Response:

1 – 6) Information not held. Please be advised that sexual health services, including contraception services, are commissioned by Public Health via the Local Authorities. You may therefore wish to redirect your request for this information to the Local Authorities operating within NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB, which are listed below along with their contact details for Freedom of Information requests:

- *Cheshire East Council*
foi@cheshireeast.gov.uk

- *Chester and Cheshire West Council*
foi@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
- *Halton Borough Council*
hdl@halton.gov.uk
- *Knowsley Council*
foi@knowsley.gov.uk
- *Liverpool City Council*
informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk
- *Sefton Council*
ino.information@sefton.gov.uk
- *St Helens Borough Council*
www.sthelens.gov.uk/article/6525/Raise-a-Freedom-of-Information-request
- *Warrington Borough Council*
foi@warrington.gov.uk
- *Wirral Council*
ww3.wirral.gov.uk/crmservicerequests/scripts/ServiceRequestMain.asp

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.