

Ref: FOI/00482/CMICB
27 July 2023

Dear,

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000
GP IT Patient Health Records Management System(s)**

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) How many GP practices are in the Cheshire and Merseyside area of responsibility?

Our Response:

1) As of June 2023, NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB had 350 member GP Practices across the whole Cheshire and Merseyside ICB area.

Your Request:

2) The name(s) of the GP IT patient health records management system(s), and its supplier, currently used to record patient appointments, healthcare, diagnosis, treatment and prescription services used in each practice?

Our Response:

2) NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB's member GP Practices use a mixture of EMIS and TPP patient health records management systems.

Your Request:

3) The route to market for the GP IT patient health records management system(s)? The tendering/procurement process(es) used?

- 4) Please advise the Contract Start Date and Contract End Date**
- 5) The annual value of the contract(s)?**
- 6) When the contract(s) will expire?**
- 7) Can you please advise if there will be any extensions to the current supplier's contract?**
- 8) The approximate dates and value of any additional amounts paid for other services (eg further development/improvement) relating to these systems.**
- 9) Does the ICB intend to procure future GP IT Patient Records Management System(s) via the Digital Care Services (DCS) Buying Catalogue?**
- 10) If not via the DCS Buying Catalogue, what route to market will the ICB take to procure a new NHS-complaint GP IT system?**
- 11) Where any future procurement of GP IT patient health records management system(s) will be advertised?**

Our Response:

3 – 11) Information not held. Please be advised that the current health records management system contracts used by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB's member GP Practices were commissioned by NHS England. You may therefore wish to redirect your request for this information to NHS England, who can be contacted for Freedom of Information requests via: england.contactus@nhs.net.

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