

Ref: CCG April 019

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4th May 2016,

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 13th April 2016, with regards to CCG services and eligibility restrictions.

Request/**Response**

- 1) Are there any services which were provided in your CCG area at the establishment of the CCG, which are no longer provided?

Enhanced service for Oral Glucose tolerance tests (OGTT). This service was decommissioned as National Guidance changed and the CCG approved the commissioning of an enhanced service for Impaired Glucose Regulation testing via HbA1c as a result.

- 2) Are there any services which were provided in your CCG area at the establishment of the CCG, which were previously provided free of charge, but for which there is now a charge?

No

- 3) Are there any services which were provided in your CCG area at the establishment of the CCG, for which there are now restrictions on eligibility?

Please can I direct you to our Commissioning Policy which contains the eligibility criteria?

<http://www.liverpoolccg.nhs.uk/media/1219/commissioning-policy-2015.pdf>

- 4) Have any restrictions have been placed on eligibility for the following?
 - i. Cataract surgery

- ii. Hip and knee replacements
- iii. Tonsil and cyst removal
- iv. Grommet removal
- v. Varicose vein removal
- vi. Groin hernia repairs
- vii. Treatment for back pain
- viii. Access to hearing aids

Our eligibility criteria can be found in our Commissioning Policy, on the link above.

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

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

Yours sincerely,

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