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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 15 April 2016, with regards to local commissioning guidelines for septorhinoplasty and rhinoplasty.

Request/**Response**

You have asked us to supply the following information:

1. What are your local CCG commissioning criteria for Rhinoplasty and/or Septorhinoplasty?
2. Do you currently authorise nasal surgery for post-traumatic cosmetic defects without nasal obstruction?
3. Do you stipulate a minimum or maximum time limit between nasal injury and assessment for rhinoplasty in order to agree funding (and if so, what is the limit)?
4. Do you require an assessment of the severity of cosmetic defect prior to agreeing the funding for rhinoplasty (and if so, what assessment is needed)?

I would like to refer you to our Commissioning Policy on our website which answers your FOI request.

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

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,

**Customer Relations Lead
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