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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 19th September 2016, with regards to CCG expenses.

Request/**Response**

1. I would like details of how much money Liverpool CCG has spent on overseas visits for staff since January 2013 until the date this request is processed.

Please see attached spreadsheet in response to your request.

I would like to take this opportunity to give you some context to accompany this FOI, of the teams identified, the most activity is undertaken by the Moor Independence (MI) and Digital Care & Innovation teams (DCI). MI is the historical beginning of the DCI team which now undertakes the activities that MI started. The focus of the teams includes drawing in additional financial resources and identifying digital and innovative solutions and best practices for health and care. Both are crucial to maximising the effectiveness and the local deployment of innovative services and products for the health and care sector. This work includes (a) learning from the state of the art across the UK and the EU for innovation and (b) securing grant funding from a variety of national and EU programmes. Achieving success for these ambitions depends on creating working relationships and co-developing project proposals and collaborative activity with leading organisations in the field - both locally and across Europe. Working in this way has resulted in both boosting the financial resources available to Liverpool CCG and other city region stakeholders, and improving service delivery. For instance, since 2012, the MI and now DCI teams have successfully secured through UK and European funding streams approximately £10 million. Equally, it has allowed Liverpool CCG to create a highly successful, large scale deployment, and international recognition, of its telehealth technology service that has generated measurable and cost-effective benefits for patients in Liverpool.

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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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