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20th June 2016,

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 17th June 2016, with regards to Homeopathy Services.

Request/**Response**

I would like to know:

- 1) Does the CCG currently fund any homeopathy treatments?

Liverpool Clinical Commissioning presented a paper at the Governing Body on Tuesday 14th June 2016 regarding a recent review and public consultation on the Homeopathy Service. A decision was taken following the presentation of the papers to cease funding the service.

Therefore service users currently in the system will be able to finish their treatment but no new referrals will be made.

- 2) What treatments does it fund?

No new referrals will be made into the service.

- 3) Did the CCG fund any homeopathy treatments in the last financial year (2015/16)?

Yes.

- 4) What treatments did it fund in 2015/16?

Please refer to the Board papers from our Governing Body meeting on Tuesday 14th June 2016 which provides detailed information on the

homeopathy treatments funded in the last financial year. I have provided a link for your ease of reference.

<http://www.liverpoolccg.nhs.uk/media/1742/gb-agenda-14-june-2016.pdf>

5) How much in total did it spend on homeopathy treatments in 2015/16?

Please refer to the Board papers as detailed above from our Governing Body meeting on Tuesday 14th June 2016 which provides detailed information on the homeopathy spend in the last financial year.

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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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