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Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which we received on 2 January 2019, with regards to individual funding requests.

Request/Response

1. Which procedures in 2013/14 were always subject to individual funding requests?

Please see attached the Cheshire and Merseyside Prior Approval scheme 2011/12 incorporating Procedures of Lower Clinical Priority (PLCP). All procedures listed within this document as "not routinely commissioned" where there is no stated exception criteria, were always subject to an individual funding request, also, any procedure not listed anywhere in the policy which was not commissioned via an alternate pathway would have been subject to an individual funding request. Please note that we are unable to identify which procedures are not listed within the policy; these become apparent, as and when applications are received.

2. Which procedures as of 1 April 2018 are always subject to individual funding requests?

Please see attached the Midlands and Lancashire Criteria Based Clinical Treatments Policy (CBCT) which came into effect for NHS Liverpool CCG on 1 April 2018. All procedures listed within this document as "not routinely commissioned" where there is no stated exception criteria, were always subject to an individual funding request, also, any procedure not listed anywhere in the policy which was not commissioned via an alternate pathway would have been subject to an individual funding request. Please note that we are unable to identify which procedures are not listed within the policy; these become apparent as and when applications are received.

3. How many individual funding requests has the CCG received in each financial year going back to 2013? How many of these has it denied? Please detail what the procedures were.

Please see attached spreadsheet that discloses how many individual funding requests the CCG received in each financial year going back to 2013, how many of these were denied and details of what the procedures were.

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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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