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Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 4 February 2019, with regards to Endometriosis.

**Request/Response**

Part A

*Part A of the request refers to the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) Guidelines called "Endometriosis: Diagnosis and Management" – NICE Guideline NG73. A link to which can be found here: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/NG73>*

1. Since the "Endometriosis: Diagnosis and Management Guidelines" [NICE Guideline NG73] was published, has the CCG discussed in one or more meeting how to comply with them? Yes/No

**Yes. NICE compliance is reported annually for all providers as part of each providers individual Clinical Quality Performance Group (CQPG).**

2. If yes, please provide the minutes of the meetings where they were discussed.

**The discussions took place at the Clinical Quality Performance Group (CQPG) meeting with The Liverpool Women's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust on 5 December 2018. Please find attached the relevant section of the minutes from the meeting.**

**Under Section 7 of the meeting (Effectiveness Review) a supporting paper from the Liverpool Women's Hospital was presented and the section relevant to your FOI request is as follows**

#### 4. NICE Guidance 'Complete and no further actions required' from 2017-18 n=16

Guidance ID	Guidance Title
NG73	<a href="#">Endometriosis: diagnosis and management</a>

3. Has a gap analysis been undertaken by the CCG to identify where the "Endometriosis: Diagnosis and Management Guidelines" [NICE Guideline NG73] is not being met?  
Yes/No

**No - it would be expected that providers undertake a gap analysis**

4. If yes, please provide a copy

**Not applicable**

5. Please supply any other information in relation to how your CCG is complying with the "Endometriosis: Diagnosis and Management Guidelines" [NICE Guideline NG73] that may be relevant.

**None**

#### Part B

Part B of the request refers to the 'Quality Standards on Endometriosis' [Quality Standard QS172] published in August 2018. A link to which can be found here:  
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/QS172>

1. Since the "Quality Standards on Endometriosis" [Quality Standard QS172] was published in August 2018, has the CCG discussed in one or more meetings how to comply with them? Yes/No

**No. These are reviewed by the providers' clinical senate structure and reported on an annual cycle. These will be reported later in 2019.**

2. If yes, please provide the minutes of the meeting where they were discussed.

**Not applicable.**

3. Has the CCG undertaken an initial assessment of service compared with the quality statements in the “Quality Standards on Endometriosis [Quality Standard QS172]”?  
Yes/No

**No**

4. If yes, please provide a copy.

**Not applicable.**

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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

**Corporate Services Team  
NHS Liverpool CCG**