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Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-3929-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 13 March 2024

We can confirm that the ICB does hold the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

1. Job title of the MSK lead for the ICS

Head of Service – Planned Care

2. Name of the MSK lead for the ICS

Steve Flynn

3. Does this role cover children's services or only adults?

Patients aged 16 and above

4. Is this person funded for their work in this role?

Permanent ICB employee, not exclusively for MSK

5. Name and job title of lead for health equalities for the ICS.

Andrew Bennett, Director of Population Health

6. What are the priorities for MSK service development for the ICS?

Review of referral pathways including integration with primary care and other secondary care providers and specialties

Review of contracted activity to ensure effective use of resources and adherence to clinical best practice

Ensuring access for patients via self-referral routes

National strategic expectations around GIRFT in terms of the demand management plans (reduce OP appointments; clinical triage, shorter pathways, alternative management to surgical pathways)

Exploration of the role for integrated services (right care, right place, right time) and the opportunities for commissioning services/pathways with other specialties such as pain management, physiotherapy, rheumatology etc. for an MDT type model – reducing demand to Secondary Care and starting treatment plans much earlier in the pathway (prehabilitation and also self-management/health promotion etc.)

Further information on Orthopaedic and MSK strategy and GIRFT can be found in the attached

Right of Appeal

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within two calendar months from the date this response was issued.

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Yours sincerely

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**On behalf of Kevin Lavery
ICB Chief Executive**