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Dear

Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-2485-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 11 August 2022.

We can confirm that the ICB does not hold all the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q1	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>I am writing with a Freedom of Information request regarding outcomes for wound care patients, specifically those with venous leg ulceration (VLU) and diabetic foot ulceration (DFU).</p> <p>First, please answer the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do you collect data or metrics associated with wound care in the community? 2. If so, what data do you collect? <p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB do not hold or have access to this level of information. You may wish to redirect your request to the relevant individual GP practices via the following link:</p> <p>https://www.lancashireandsouthcumbria.icb.nhs.uk/our-work/your-local-services/gp-practices</p>
Q2	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Please now provide information regarding venous leg ulceration (VLU) and diabetic foot ulceration (DFU), if available. Please find attached a suggested Excel template to fill in the information.</p> <p>VLU:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. The total number of people diagnosed with VLU in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021. 4. The number of people diagnosed with VLU in each of these years healed within 24 weeks of initial presentation.

5. The number of people diagnosed with VLU in each of these years healed within 52 weeks of initial presentation.
6. The number of people with a healed VLU experiencing a recurrence within 26 weeks in each of these years.
7. The number of people with a healed VLU experiencing a recurrence within 52 weeks in each of these years.

DFU:

8. The total number of people diagnosed with DFU in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.
9. The number of people diagnosed with DFU in each of these years healed within 24 weeks of initial presentation.
10. The number of people diagnosed with DFU in each of these years healed within 52 weeks of initial presentation.
11. The number of people with a healed DFU experiencing a recurrence within 26 weeks in each of these years.
12. The number of people with a healed DFU experiencing a recurrence within 52 weeks in each of these years.

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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.

To request an internal review

You can request this by contacting the FOI team by email at MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net or by post to Jubilee House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TR, specifying why you require a review.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the CCGs FOI complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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

