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Dear

Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-2538-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 31 August 2022.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q1	Your Question: How many paper referrals coming from GP practices have been processed for the period of 1 September 2021 - 31 August 2022 within your CCG or all CCGs that fall under your service? (If you have to provide the answer for more than one CCG, please provide separate answers for each of the CCGs that fall under your service).
	Our Response: NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB do not hold this level of information. You may wish to redirect your request directly to the relevant Acute Trust/s via the following link: https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/ It may be advisable to specify which services you are referring to when redirecting your request to enable the relevant Trust to answer your queries accurately.

<p>Q2</p>	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>What were the reasons for printing out referral forms or letters and not completing the whole process electronically?</p> <p>(If you have to provide the answer for more than one CCG, please provide separate answers for each of the CCGs that fall under your service).</p> <p>My reason for asking these questions is that I am trying to gather data with regard to the NHS Net Zero policy with the goal of identifying areas that could be improved to reach the goal of net zero emissions by 2040.</p>
	<p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB do not hold this level of information. You may wish to redirect your request directly to the relevant Acute Trust/s via the following link:</p> <p>https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/</p> <p>It may be advisable to specify which services you are referring to when redirecting your request to enable the relevant Trust to answer your queries accurately.</p>

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**