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Dear

Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-2598-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 05 October 2022.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

<p>Q1</p>	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>I am undertaking some research into the level of funding provided by Clinical Commissioning Groups for MS patients in their area and will be grateful if you would supply me the following information.</p> <p>How many people in your area have been diagnosed with MS?</p> <hr/> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust as the lead provider for the ICB for Neurosciences services. https://www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information</p>
<p>Q2</p>	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>If possible, please provide a breakdown of those with Remitting MS and those with Progressive MS (including Secondary Progressive).</p> <hr/> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust as the lead provider for the ICB for Neurosciences services.</p>
<p>Q3</p>	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>If possible, please provide a breakdown of 2) above showing those that are Male or Female and age (within bands of 10 years from 0 upwards).</p>

	<p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust as the lead provider for the ICB for Neurosciences services.</p>
Q4	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>What is the total annual funding provided in respect of MS. Please provide a breakdown of the funding that relates to “core service provision” and the amount that relates to individual treatment (such as cost of medication, etc).</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust as the lead provider for the ICB for Neurosciences services.</p>
Q5	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>If funding is being used for the provision of medication, please say what the average annual spend is for those patients who have Remitting MS and those that have Progressive MS (if data is available).</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. Funding information is not recorded by diagnoses.</p>
Q6	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>In relation to those patients who have Secondary Progressive MS, do you help fund the cost of the patient receiving Siponimod (Mayzent). If yes, please provide the total number of cases where funding is being provided and average annual spend. If you do not provide funding for such cases, would you consider to do so if the patient contributed towards the funding?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. Prescribing for MS sits under specialist centres which are NHSE specialised commissioning.</p> <p>You may want to redirect your request as they may hold the information you require. https://www.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/foi/</p>

Q7	Your Question: If known, do you contribute towards the domiciliary care costs of patients who have Progressive MS (including Secondary Progressive). If so, please say the average annual spend.
	Our Response: NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. Domiciliary care costs are assessed on need and therefore the patient's diagnoses is not recorded.

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, Wycliff House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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