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Dear

Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-2687-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 10 November 2022.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

1. When will your ICB approve the funding for rtCGM?
2. Why, 7 Months on from the NICE guidance (Best practice) is the funding under your ICB still unavailable to Families?
3. Hundreds of Families across the UK are "Self Funding rtCGM" at a cost of £150pm and up, Will your ICB put in place a recourse for them to be able to claim these costs back once funding is released?
4. Why is there no clear and concise protocol across all IBC Regions that ensures every area is working with cohesion to deliver on updated guidance across all of their trusts?
5. Will there be an independent investigation into why Children and families are being forced into poverty to self fund vital medical technologies the breadth and width of the UK?

We can confirm that the ICB hold the information you have requested however it is felt exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the FOI Act: "information reasonable accessible by other means". This is because the information you have requested is available on the Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria ICP website at the following link:

**[https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/4016/6057/0880/LSC Continuous and Flash G
lucose Monitoring to patients with Diabetes Mellitus Policy v2.3.pdf](https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/4016/6057/0880/LSC%20Continuous%20and%20Flash%20Gluucose%20Monitoring%20to%20patients%20with%20Diabetes%20Mellitus%20Policy%20v2.3.pdf)**

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**