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Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-3264-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 26 May 2023

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

We would like to request the following information from Blackburn with Darwen Sub-ICB, Blackpool Sub-ICB, Chorley & South Ribble Sub-ICB, Fylde & Wyre Sub-ICB, Greater Preston Sub-ICB, Morecambe Bay Sub-ICB, West Lancashire Sub-ICB

1. We understand the ICS/Trust has representation on the following Medicines Management / Prescribing / Formulary Committees:

- East Lancashire Medicines Management Board
- Blackpool Sub-ICB's Medicines Management Team
- Joint University Hospitals Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust
- Morecambe Bay Sub-ICB Drugs and Therapeutics Group
- Pan Mersey Area Prescribing Committee
- Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust Drug and Therapeutics Committee
- Lancashire Medicines Management Group

Please confirm if this is correct.

If not correct, please list the relevant Committees.

Lancashire medicines hub team only hold information about the Lancashire and South Cumbria Medicines Management Group and is publicly available via:

<https://www.lancsmsg.nhs.uk/about-us/membership/>

Blackpool Sub-ICB's Medicines Management Team is incorrect, it should be Fylde Coast Medicines Group

2. Does the Organisation have representation on any other medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees? If so, please advise which.

The Lancashire medicines hub team does not currently hold this information. However, work is commencing on a Lancashire and South Cumbria formulary so this may change.

3. We have the following formularies listed as used by the Organisation:

- East Lancashire Joint Medicines Formulary
- Blackpool Sub-ICB Red Amber Green List
- Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust Drug and Therapeutics Committee
- Fylde and Wyre Sub-ICB Medicines Red Amber Green List
- Central Lancashire Formulary
- Morecambe Bay Joint Medicines Formulary
- Lancashire Medicines Management Group Medicine Recommendations
- North Sefton and West Lancashire Joint Formulary
- Pan Mersey Area Prescribing Committee Medicines Formulary

Please confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide online link(s)/copy of relevant formularies.

Work is commencing on a Lancashire and South Cumbria formulary which will include formularies that were used previously by CCGs and current hospital trust formularies across Lancashire and South Cumbria.

The list appears correct, the exceptions being:

- **North Sefton and West Lancashire Joint Formulary – we have confirmed that West Lancashire used the Pan Mersey formulary.**
 - **Lancashire Medicines Management Group Medicine Recommendations – the Lancashire Medicines Management group makes recommendation for adoption by the ICB and medicines listed on the LSCMMG website does not constitute a formulary.**
4. Are any of the above formularies dominant when making prescribing decisions or does this depend on therapy area? Please say which is the relevant formulary of the Organisation.

No, once complete the Lancashire and South Cumbria formulary will be the dominant formulary across Lancashire and South Cumbria

5. If you use a PDF formulary, have you considered moving it to an online platform like netformulary, and if yes, when are you planning to do so?

Unaware of any PDF formularies in use. The new Lancashire and South Cumbria formulary will be hosted on netformulary

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
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