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Dear Ms Sopel,

Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-3248-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 18 May 2023.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q 1	Your Question: What is the criteria needed to qualify for IVF in your ICB?
	Our Response: Please refer to the attached policy: https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/2416/7576/5524/LSCICB_Clin20_Policy_for_Assisted_Conception_Services_v2.1.pdf
Q 2	Your Question: How many cycles of IVF does the ICB offer?
	Our Response: As above.
Q 3	Your Question: What constitutes a cycle of IVF in the ICB?
	Our Response: As above.

Q4	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>How many treatment cycles of IVF were completed in 2022 (Jan to Jan)?!</p>
	<p>Our Response:</p> <p>Please refer to the attached document.</p>

You will note that we have applied an exemption to questions 1-3. This is explained below:

Question No.	Reason for exemption
1-3	Section 21 Information accessible by other means - NHS Lancashire & South Cumbria ICB are not obligated to provide information available publicly.

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**