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Dear

**Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**  
**Ref no: FOI-3041-LSC**

Thank you for your request dated 4 April 2023.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q1	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Can you please tell me how the ICB medicines management will be structured going forwards and where the team will be located compared to the previous CCGs?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>A review of structures is being undertaken in 2023, until this review is complete, we are not able to advise on the final structure moving forward.</b></p>
Q2	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Can you please provide me with the email and telephone number for the best point of contact regarding vitamin D prescribing in the ICB?</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>Please contact our Medicines Management team in the first instance via our generic email address <a href="mailto:MLCSU.medicinesmanagement@nhs.net">MLCSU.medicinesmanagement@nhs.net</a>, the information will then be considered by the team and we will contact you if we have any queries or require any further information.</b></p>

Q3	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Can you please provide me with a copy of any vitamin D prescribing guidance that the ICB are currently following?</p>
	<p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>Please refer to the Lancashire and South Cumbria Medicines Management Group website for all relevant guidance.</b>  <a href="https://www.lancsmmg.nhs.uk/?Search=vitamin+d">https://www.lancsmmg.nhs.uk/?Search=vitamin+d</a></p>
Q4	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Can you please tell me when the current vitamin D guidance is likely to be reviewed and who within the ICB would be involved in such a review?</p>
	<p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>This is not currently on the work plan. Guidance will be reviewed in line with its review period or if new information becomes available that necessitates a review.</b></p>
Q5	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Can you please tell me what the process would be to submit information on any new products for consideration for that guidance review?</p>
	<p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>Please forward any information to <a href="mailto:MLCSU.medicinesmanagement@nhs.net">MLCSU.medicinesmanagement@nhs.net</a></b></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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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