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Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000
Ref no: FOI-3841-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 4 February 2024.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

1. The criteria for keloid scar excision and more information about the appropriate/recommended channels of seeking approval via IFR (Individual Funding Requests).

I would like you to provide this information by filling out the survey below:
<https://www.surveylegend.com/s/5fj8>

Please refer to the attached document.

Please note, under Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Information can be withheld if it relates to information which constitutes personal data.

The first condition is that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act

a) Would contravene any of the data protection principles.

In this instance we believe that it would likely breach the first Data Protection Principle, therefore we are restricting the requested information for questions 4, 5, 8 and 9 due to low number suppression to prevent the possibility it could potentially identify an individual or inadvertently identify any patients.

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 40 working days 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 Leyland 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

Professor Sarah O'Brien – Chief Nursing Officer

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