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| **FOI NO: FOI 1502/2020** | **Date Received: 2.3.20** |
| **Request :**  I'd like to submit a request under the Freedom of Information Act. Please tell me how long women in England wait for a referral to a consultant for endometriosis in calendar days in each calendar or financial year (depending on how you collect the data) for the last 10 years. | |
| **Response :**  **Barnsley CCG does not hold this data.** | |

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| **FOI NO: FOI 1503/2020** | **Date Received: 2.3.20** |
| **Request :**  I am a local councillor covering the Darton East Ward where the Hill Brow Surgery is located. I have seen many comments on social media recently regarding difficulties that residents are having in making appointments with a GP and/or in relation to the waiting times to see a GP once an appointment is made. I understand that there is a national shortage of GP’s and that NHS services are stretched but I am looking for data that the CCG holds in relation to Hill Brow Surgery as follows:-   * Number of GP’s currently working in the practice * Number of GP’s planned to be working in the practice in  2019/20 * Number of GP vacancies * Plans to fill the vacancies * Data reported by the Hill Brow surgery to the CCG in relation to GP appointments/waiting times during 19/20 by month. * Comparable data on GP appointments/waiting times for the previous 4 financial years (so trends can be seen) | |
| **Response :**   * Number of GP’s currently working in the practice - Available in public domain: <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/general-and-personal-medical-services/final-31-december-2019> * Number of GP’s planned to be working in the practice in  2019/20 – CCG does not hold this information therefore the requestor would need to contact the practice * Number of GP vacancies  – CCG does not hold this information therefore requestor would need to contact the practice for this information * Plans to fill the vacancies – CCG does not hold this information therefore requestor would need to contact the practice for this information * Data reported by the Hill Brow surgery to the CCG in relation to GP appointments/waiting times during 19/20 by month - * Comparable data on GP appointments/waiting times for the previous 4 financial years (so trends can be seen) -   Available in the public domain AT CCG LEVEL ONLY : <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-tools-and-services/data-services/general-practice-data-hub/appointments-in-general-practice> or <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/appointments-in-general-practice> | |

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| **FOI NO: FOI 1504/2020** | **Date Received: 3.3.20** |
| **Request :**  Under all of the CCGs in your area:  1. How many GP patient referrals have there been to mental health services in the past three years? Please could you provide a year by year breakdown and include diagnosis (ie, for anxiety, depression, etc), by CCG.  2. How many GP patient referrals have there been for ecotherapy in the past three years? Please could you provide a year by year breakdown, by CCG.  3. How many GP patient referrals have there been for eating disorders in the past three years? Please could you provide a year by year breakdown and include diagnosis (ie, anorexia, bulimia, etc), by CCG.  Please could you provide a year by year breakdown for the past three years, by each CCG, and provide this information in electronic form.  If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request. | |
| **Response :**  Barnsley CCG does not hold the information requested above.  The requestor will need to contact the service providers – Barnsley CCG currently commissions South Yorkshire West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust (SWYPFT) to provide Mental Health and community services for the people of Barnsley.  SWYPFT website is  <https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/> | |

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| **FOI NO: 1505** | **Date Received: 09.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  I am interested to know how;  • decisions are made to procure a product or service in your organisation  • how long it takes  • what is the process to present an innovative cost saving product/service  • and to whom to direct the communications | |
| **Response :**  •           decisions are made to procure a product or service in your organisation  As a Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) we are a clinically-led statutory NHS body responsible for the planning and commissioning of health care services for the local area. The CCG focuses on healthcare service provision and rarely procures products. Decisions relating to procuring  services are made involving clinicians, commissioners, other professionals and often after public consultation.  •           how long it takes  The length of time to make procurement awards will depend on the circumstances e.g. how much the service will cost . If the CCG is procuring an existing service with little change to the requirement then this can be done in the short term e.g. from three weeks to three months. If it is a new service or the existing service is to be re-designed then this is a longer term project and could take up to a year.  •           what is the process to present an innovative cost saving product/service  As explained in the response to the first question the CCG procures health care services and not usually products. When designing a health care service, research and consultation with stakeholders will be undertaken. Market engagement events are often held with potential providers so feedback can be gathered which can then be used in developing the service specification to enable it to  both innovative and achieve value for money. Also outcome based service specifications are used to  enable providers to innovate and to create better services which are tailored to the needs of service users.  •           and to whom to direct the communications  The procurement plan which details potential procurements for the year is published on the CCG website. When a decision to run a  procurement is made the invitation to tender will usually be advertised in the:  Supplement to the OJEU <http://simap.europa.eu/index_en.htm>  ContractsFinder [1] <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Search>  The procurement will be run using the Bravosolutions e-tendering portal : <https://www.nhssourcing.co.uk/web/login> | |

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| **FOI NO: 1506** | **Date Received: 10.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  We are currently investigating the Drug Tariff, in particular the Stoma Market (Chapter 23 of the Monthly Prescription Cost Analysis Data), with the fundamental objective of reducing increasing costs for CCGs.  To assist us with this research, we ask for you to provide a monthly summary of the number of patients ordering items from Chapter 23 (Stoma related products). | |
| **Response :**  The CCG does not currently hold this information. We would have to interrogate NHS Digital systems to obtain cost and volume information regarding number of prescriptions dispensed, and the £ cost and volume of the items relating to the number of items dispensed. The information does not currently link to the number of patients.  This prescription data is available on NHSBSA for guest users.  https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/prescription-data/catalyst-public-insight-portal  alternatively it is available on Open Prescribing.  https://openprescribing.net/  The data can be accessed via NHS Digital via FOI https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information | |

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| **FOI NO: 1507** | **Date Received: 10.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  1. Please provide the name, job title, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for neurological and mental ill-health residential and nursing home placements (if more than one person is responsible, please provide the details of all responsible for making the placements).    2. Please provide the total number of adults funded by the CCG in the following settings: (please provide figures for the past two financial years and budgeted figures for the current financial year (2019/20)):  a. Neurological residential homes  b. Mental ill-health residential homes  c. Neurological nursing homes  d. Mental ill-health nursing homes    3. Please provide the total number of adults funded by the CCG in out of area placements (i.e. a placement outside the CCG boundaries) in the following settings: (please provide figures for the past two financial years and budgeted figures for the current financial year (2019/20)):  a. Neurological residential homes  b. Mental ill-health residential homes  c. Neurological nursing homes  d. Mental ill-health nursing homes    4. Please provide the gross total expenditure on adults funded by the CCG in the following settings: (please provide figures for the past two financial years and budgeted figures for the current financial year (2019/20)):  a. Neurological residential homes  b. Mental ill-health residential homes  c. Neurological nursing homes  d. Mental ill-health nursing homes    5. Please provide the current average weekly expenditure per individual for adults funded by the CCG in the following settings:  a. Neurological residential homes  b. Mental ill-health residential homes  c. Neurological nursing homes  d. Mental ill-health nursing homes | |
| **Response :**    Please note the costs include S117 and Continuing Healthcare Costs within the Mental Health category.  The cost for neurological conditions is not recorded separately, therefore these are not broken down. The only cases that can be separately identified are the out of area Neurological placements.  Out of area placements are also not recorded in the way to enable us to present the actual costs relating to this cohort. | |

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| **FOI NO: 1508** | **Date Received: 10.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  1. The number of A&E attendances per year for an accidental fall associated with glasses use in your CCG area.  2. The number of hospital outpatient appointments per year for an accidental fall associated with glasses use in your CCG area.  3. The number of GP appointments per year for an accidental fall associated with glasses use in your CCG area.  4. The number of deaths per year for an accidental fall associated with glasses use in your CCG area. | |
| **Response :**  The CCG do not hold data that would identify the number people having interactions with health care services associated with vision correction or glasses use.   This level of detail is not included within information available to CCG’s. | |

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| **FOI NO: 1509** | **Date Received: 11.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  Does your CCG commission a community VTE clinic?  In the last 12 months how many patients have been treated at the clinic?  How many patients have been treated with a DOAC within the clinic?  Of these patients how many were treated with:  • Xarelto  • Lixiana  • Pradaxa  • Eliquis | |
| **Response :**  Does your CCG commission a community VTE clinic? - NO Barnsley CCG does not currently commission a community VTE clinic    In the last 12 months how many patients have been treated at the clinic?    How many patients have been treated with a DOAC within the clinic?    Of these patients how many were treated with:  • Xarelto  • Lixiana  • Pradaxa  • Eliquis | |

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| **FOI NO: 1510** | **Date Received: 11.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  Where a product is listed in the Non Formulary section with a colour of Red and note of “provisional”. How do you intend your prescribers to interpret this please? | |
| **Response :**  It shouldn't be initiated or prescribed by any clinician working in any Barnsley Provider service (Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust , South West Yorkshire Partnership Trust ( Barnsley Delivery Unit) , Barnsley Hospice , Barnsley Council Service or Barnsley GP Practices ). If it has been initiated by a clinician who is not employed by a Barnsley Provider (usually from outside Barnsley locality)  then it is at the discretion of the Barnsley clinician if they choose to take over prescribing responsibility.    "RED" denotes that it should  be initiated and prescribed ONLY by a clinical specialist - these drugs are usually complex specialist medications or medications for complex specialist conditions.    "PROVISIONAL" demotes that the Area Prescribing Committee have classified in the absence of a "New Product Application"  (clinician representation) being received and considered by the Committee. ALL Red classified drugs with a "PROVISIONAL" classification are classified as Non-Formulary    "Non-Formulary" denotes that it should not be initiated by any clinician working in any Barnsley Provider (Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust , South West Yorkshire Partnership Trust ( Barnsley Delivery Unit) , Barnsley Hospice or Barnsley GP Practices ). If initiated by a clinician who is not employed by a Barnsley Provider then it is at the discretion of the Barnsley clinician if they choose to take over prescribing responsibility.    ​I have attached a screenshot which provides more information    The Barnsley Formulary is available online at [http://www.barnsleyformulary.nhs.uk](http://www.barnsleyformulary.nhs.uk/about.asp). It is updated after each Area Prescribing Committee and has up to date information regarding formulary status of medicines and alternatives within each clinical therapeutic area. The content of the Formulary is subject to ongoing review.    If you require further advice or guidance or have any further queries then these can be directed to the Barnsley Area Prescribing Committee via the CCG Medicines Management Team on 01226 433669. | |

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| **FOI NO: 1511** | **Date Received: 11.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  Please complete the questions if possible, online via the following link, as this will make the collection and analysis of responses easier to carry out: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/AMRFOI> | |
| **Response :** | |

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| **FOI NO: 1512** | **Date Received: 12.03.2020** |
| **Request :**  1. Does your CCG commission a Community Cardiology Diagnostics service?  2. If so how many Holters (Ambulatory ECGs) are performed each year?  3. How much does the CCG pay per test?  4. When is that contract due to expire? | |
| **Response :**  1. Does your CCG commission a Community Cardiology Diagnostics service? No  2. If so how many Holters (Ambulatory ECGs) are performed each year? Not applicable  3. How much does the CCG pay per test? Not applicable  4. When is that contract due to expire? Not applicable | |

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| **FOI NO: 1513** | **Date Received: 16 March 2020** |
| **Request :**  Access to infertility services and assisted conception     * Barnsley CCG’s full policy on assisted conception and infertility services, including all patient eligibility criteria. | |
| **Response :**  **Please find attached Barnsley CCG’s full policy on assisted conception and infertility services, which includes  all patient eligibility criteria.** | |

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| **FOI NO: 1514** | **Date Received: 19 March 2020** |
| **Request :**  1.  Are you, as the local CCG, responsible for commissioning all services related to diagnosis and treatment of menopause in your area?  If not, then can you please provide details of who does commission menopause services in your area?  2.  What services for diagnosis and treatment of menopause are available in your area?  This could include specialist menopause primary health care providers within GP surgeries or in local hospitals or in specialist clinics.  3.  Is there a waiting list for specialist menopause services in your area and if so, roughly how long for?  4.  Have any services related to diagnosis and treatment of menopause been closed in your area?  If yes, can you provide details of what that service was and when it closed please?  5.  Does the CCG have plans to open any new menopause services?  If yes please provide details.  6.  What is the first line of treatment recommended by the CCG for women with peri and menopause symptoms?  i.e. what is directed on the Formulary?  7. What is the second line of treatment recommended by the CCG for women with peri and menopause symptoms?  i.e what is directed on the Formulary? | |
| **Response :**  1. Are you, as the local CCG, responsible for commissioning all services related to diagnosis and treatment of menopause in your area? If not, then can you please provide details of who does commission menopause services in your area?  There is no specific menopause service commissioned. Management of patient presenting with menopause is provided by GP Primary Care Practices, which are commissioned by NHSE . Referral is made to the appropriate hospital or specialist service in line with the patients need i.e. gynaecology or endocrinology.  Spectrum Health Services will provide fitting of Interuterine Hormonal Devices e.g. Mirena for patients who require contraception and have menopausal symptoms  2. What services for diagnosis and treatment of menopause are available in your area? This could include specialist menopause primary health care providers within GP surgeries or in local hospitals or in specialist clinics.  Response as in Number 1    3. Is there a waiting list for specialist menopause services in your area and if so, roughly how long for?  Barnsley CCG does not currently hold this information  4. Have any services related to diagnosis and treatment of menopause been closed in your area? If yes, can you provide details of what that service was and when it closed please?  No    5. Does the CCG have plans to open any new menopause services? If yes please provide details.  The CCG are currently reviewing the provision of the fitting of Interuterine Hormonal Devices e.g. Mirena, in primary care , required only for menopausal symptoms.  6. What is the first line of treatment recommended by the CCG for women with peri and menopause symptoms? i.e. what is directed on the Formulary?    Please find attached link to Barnsley Formulary section which is publicly accessible  http://www.barnsleyformulary.nhs.uk/chaptersSubDetails.asp?FormularySectionID=7&SubSectionRef=07.03.02.03&SubSectionID=A100&drugmatch=3977#3977  7. What is the second line of treatment recommended by the CCG for women with peri and menopause symptoms? i.e what is directed on the Formulary?  Answer as in 6. | |

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| **FOI NO: 1515** | **Date Received: 19 March 2020** |
| **Request :**  1. What are the name(s) of the organisation(s) which are contracted by the CCG to deliver care in Urgent Treatment Centres (UTCs)?  2. When is each of the current UTC contracts due to renew?  3. Does the CCG have any plans to transition any existing Minor Injuries Units (MIUs) into UTCs? If so, which MIUs? Will there be a procurement process to identify providers and when is this planned to happen?  4. What are the name and contact details of the IUC service development lead for the CCG? | |
| **Response :**   1. Are you, as the local CCG, responsible for commissioning all services related to diagnosis and treatment of menopause in your area?  If not, then can you please provide details of who does commission menopause services in your area?   There is no specific menopause service commissioned. Management of patient presenting with menopause is provided by GP Primary Care Practices, which are commissioned by NHSE . Referral is made to the appropriate hospital or specialist service in line with the patients need i.e. gynaecology or endocrinology.  Spectrum Health Services will provide fitting of Interuterine Hormonal Devices e.g. Mirena​ for patients who require contraception and have menopausal symptoms  2.  What services for diagnosis and treatment of menopause are available in your area?  This could include specialist menopause primary health care providers within GP surgeries or in local hospitals or in specialist clinics.  Response as in Number 1    3.  Is there a waiting list for specialist menopause services in your area and if so, roughly how long for?  Barnsley CCG does not currently hold this information  4.  Have any services related to diagnosis and treatment of menopause been closed in your area?  If yes, can you provide details of what that service was and when it closed please?  No    5.  Does the CCG have plans to open any new menopause services?  If yes please provide details.  The CCG are currently reviewing the provision of the fitting of Interuterine Hormonal Devices e.g. Mirena, in primary care , required only for menopausal symptoms.  6.  What is the first line of treatment recommended by the CCG for women with peri and menopause symptoms?  i.e. what is directed on the Formulary?    Please find attached link to Barnsley Formulary section which is publicly accessible  <http://www.barnsleyformulary.nhs.uk/chaptersSubDetails.asp?FormularySectionID=7&SubSectionRef=07.03.02.03&SubSectionID=A100&drugmatch=3977#3977>  7. What is the second line of treatment recommended by the CCG for women with peri and menopause symptoms?  i.e what is directed on the Formulary?  Answer as in 6. | |