

3 September 2018

Dear

Re: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Ref no: CAS-03774-Q9P9C5-ES (NHS East Staffordshire CCG)

CAS-03774-Q9P9C5-CC (NHS Cannock Chase CCG)

CAS-03774-Q9P9C5-SE (NHS South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG)

CAS-03780-B4T3V3-NS (NHS North Staffordshire CCG)

CAS-03780-B4T3V3-SAS (NHS Stafford and Surrounds CCG)

CAS-03780-B4T3V3-SOT (NHS Stoke-on-Trent CCG)

Thank you for your correspondence dated 30 August 2018 making a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for information which may be held by NHS Cannock Chase Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), NHS East Staffordshire CCG, NHS North Staffordshire CCG, NHS Stafford and Surrounds CCG, NHS Stoke-on-Trent CCG and NHS South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG.

You requested the following information and our response is detailed below:

NHS Cannock Chase CCG, NHS East Staffordshire CCG, NHS Stafford and Surrounds CCG and NHS South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG

1. Does the CCG have a preferred list or guidelines for cost effective blood glucose meters/test strips for use by patients with diabetes?

We use GlucoRx Nexus as the first-line choice locally for type 2 diabetic patients. Where patients have specific clinical reasons to use an alternative meter (e.g. ketone testing, pregnant patients, type-1 diabetics, paediatrics) then the most appropriate meter should be prescribed as clinically required.

2. Could I please have a copy of such a list?

<http://www.southstaffordshirejointformulary.nhs.uk/chaptersSubDetails.asp?FormularySectionID=6&SubSectionRef=06.01&SubSectionID=A100>

3. When are these guidelines for type diabetes meters/ test strips due/likely to be up for review? for type 2 and for type 1

At present there is no review date locally.

4. The contact details of the person or dept. responsible for it's review?

Queries can be directed to the generic email address:

southstaffs.medsoptimisation@nhs.net

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5. How does a company become involved in such a review?

At the point of review, a standard process would be followed which would incorporate a review of all products/companies.

6. Are there any rebate schemes in place with any of the blood glucose monitoring companies

Yes, we have a rebate contract in place with GlucoRx.

7. Would the reviewing organisation be open to a rebate scheme if there was one on offer?

Yes

NHS North Staffordshire CCG and NHS Stoke-on-Trent CCG

1. Does the CCG have a preferred list or guidelines for cost effective blood glucose meters/test strips for use by patients with diabetes?

There is currently no formulary in place for prescribing of blood glucose meters across Stoke-on-Trent CCG and North Staffordshire CCG.

2. Could I please have a copy of such a list?

N/A

3. When are these guidelines for type diabetes meters/ test strips due/likely to be up for review? for type 2 and for type 1

N/A

4. The contact details of the person or dept. responsible for it's review?

N/A

5. How does a company become involved in such a review?

N/A

6. Are there any rebate schemes in place with any of the blood glucose monitoring companies?

No

7. Would the reviewing organisation be open to a rebate scheme if there was one on offer?

The CCGs would review a rebate scheme if approached by a company.

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Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response, or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact the FOI team to discuss. However, if you remain dissatisfied with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision, this can be formally requested in writing and must be within a reasonable period of time (two calendar months) from the date this response was issued

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Yours sincerely



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