

Yorkshire and the Humber Strategic Health Authority

5 June 2007

Freedom of Information Act Requests 1 July 2006 - 30 April 2007

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 confers two rights on the public:

- The right to be informed whether a public body holds certain information
- The right to obtain a copy of that information

The SHA aims to ensure that the majority of information that is of interest to the public is available through its Publication Scheme. Information not published as a matter of course must be made available on request, unless exempted from disclosure under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act.

In replying to requests for information the response must set out:

- The information held on the specified subject, providing this in itself is not exempt from disclosure
- The information being released
- The information that is exempt from disclosure and not being released
- Details of the relevant exemptions
- Details of how to request an internal review of the response in the event of a complaint
- Information on the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner

The attached schedule summarises the requests for information received by the SHA since its establishment.

All requests received by the SHA have been responded to within the 20 working day time scale required by the Act.

Recommendation

The Authority is invited to note the summary of requests for information.

Margaret Edwards
Chief Executive

Summary of Information Requested 1 July 2006 - 30 April 2007

Year-end financial position (2)

Capacity planning for secondary care

MPET budgets

Numbers of psychiatrists employed

Widening access scheme

Junior Doctors' Flexible Training Scheme

Catchment populations and European Working Time Directive compliance

Clinical demand for physiotherapists

Numbers of SUIs in the last 4 years

SUIs in 2006

IT-related SUIs since Oct 2004

Independent inquiries under HSG(94)27 (2)

LDP tables

LDP information re cancer services and drug treatments

Management consultants

Spend on turnaround consultants and projected savings

Appointment of SHA and PCT chief executives and directors

SHA organisational chart

SHA/PCT restructuring

Performance related bonuses

Payment of bonuses to staff 2004/05 and 2005/06

Redundancy packages to Board level executives

Reconfiguration proposals (2)

Reconfiguration of services since Jan. 2005

Existing and Future IT Contracts for the SHA

Internal SHA ICT budgets

ICT strategy and structure

IT/Finance

External contracts for communications, finance and HR systems

Money allocated to hospital chaplaincy services

Spend on continuing care across South Yorkshire

Cost of SHA attendance at a conference

Data on GUM clinics

SHA reports to Department of Health re mixed sex wards

Costs associated with consultant suspension

Funding for air ambulances

Availability of scanning for suspected strokes

Expenditure on interpreters in maternity units

Uptake of practice-based commissioning by PCT

Unpaid costs associated with overseas patients

Capital costs, sickness absence, secondments, spend on consultants, financial assistance to other NHS organisations

Expenditure on bowel cancer screening programme (National Cancer Screening Programme)

North London Breast Screening Service (National Cancer Screening Programme)

Tender, planning and evaluation (National Cancer Screening Programme)