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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding bariatric surgery services within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

1) What criteria do patients need to meet in order to be referred for bariatric surgery in your Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) area?

[Commissioning for tier 4 services is the responsibility of NHS England until the 1st of April 2017. Patients are required to meet the criteria set out in the Clinical Commissioning Policy: Complex and Specialised Obesity Surgery, April 2013](#)

2) Will these criteria change or stay the same going forwards into financial year 2017?

[No](#)

3) If they change what will the new criteria be?

[Not applicable](#)

4) Will your CCG's 2017 bariatric surgery criteria be in line with the National Institute for Health Care Excellence (NICE's) latest clinical and quality standard guidelines for bariatric surgery?

[No, a decision was taken by all North West CCGs to continue working to NICE Guidance CG43](#)

5) If any, what additional criteria will patients in your CCG's area have to meet in order to be referred for bariatric surgery over and above those set out in the NICE quality standards?

(For example; a 10% weight loss prior to referral).

[Not applicable](#)

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6) Does your CCG fund tier 3 weight loss programmes within the area?

No

7) How many patients were referred by your CCG for bariatric surgery in the last financial year (year end 2015)?

NHS Southport and Formby CCG does not hold this information, you may wish to redirect your query to the Provider

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8) How many have you referred to date in 2016?

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9) Does your CCG keep records as to how many of the patients referred for bariatric have type 2 diabetes? If these are recorded can you please supply figures for year end 2015 and to date 2016?

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