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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding individuals funded by the pharmaceutical industry to carry out reviews of patients' records in the last two year within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/Response:

Could you please let me know whether your CCG, or GP practices within the CCG's area, have used individuals funded by the pharmaceutical industry to carry out reviews of patients' records in the last two years (i.e. since February 2015).

In each case please provide:

a) the dates of the project and names of any companies involved (including pharmaceutical companies and third party firms)

NHS Southport and Formby CCG are starting a piece of work with Coloplast.

b) details of the work undertaken

No reviews have been undertaken yet but NHS Southport and Formby CCG are meeting practices as they also enter into an agreement individually.

c) a copy of any agreement signed by the CCG relation to the project

These will be available soon via our website http://www.southportandformbyccg.nhs.uk/

In the meantime please refer any queries to Jan Leonard, Chief Redesign and Commissioning Officer

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d) details, if already held by the CCG, of the number of patients switched to particular drugs as a result of the review

Chair: Dr Rob Caudwell Chief Officer: Fiona Taylor



For practices across NHS Southport and Formby CCG they will have had pharmaceutical industry support with reviews but that has been agreed between themselves and the pharmaceutical industry and NHS Southport and Formby CCG does not hold this information.

NHS Southport and Formby CCG have endorsed the review of blood glucose meters by a diabetes nurse educator provided by Spirit Healthcare however there was no CCG agreement but individual practice agreements.

In order to ensure the cost of responding to this request remains within the statutory limit please restrict your searches to information held by senior members of the CCG's medicines management/optimisation team (i.e. I am not requesting information held by members of other teams or by individual GP surgeries).