

Patient and Client Council

Your voice in health and social care

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By Email

[Email removed]

Ref: FOI 1591

Dear [Name removed]

Your request for information was received 28th October 2021 and was dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please be advised that the Patient Client Council (PCC) has now completed its search for the information you requested with regards to PCC spend data and specifically Transparency Data for payments to suppliers on invoices over £500.

We believe that your request refers to the "Local Government Transparency Code 2015". This code applies only to England and not Northern Ireland:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/408386/150227_PUBLICATION_Final_LGTC_2015.pdf

As such, as the code does not apply in Northern Ireland, I must therefore advise you that this information is not held by the PCC.

I hope that the information provided assists you. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter.

In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to The Business Services Organisation (BSO), which provides an Information Governance service on our behalf:

Post: Information Governance Manager,
2 Franklin Street,

Belfast,
BT2 8DQ

Email: foi.bso@hscni.net

If, following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision making panel, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PCC has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act

You can contact Information Commissioner at:

Website: www.ico.org.uk
Phone: 0303 123 1113
Email: icocasework@ico.org.uk
Post: Information Commissioner's Office
3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place
Belfast
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In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Yours Sincerely,