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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 5 November 2018 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding formularies and Committees. Specifically you asked:

1) We understand the CCG/Trust has representation on the following medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees:

- **County Durham and Darlington Area Prescribing Committee**

Please confirm if this is correct?

Answer: Yes.

2) Does the CCG/Trust have representation on any other medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees? If so, please advise which.

Answer:

- North Regional Medicines Optimisation Committee (RMOC)
- CDDFT Clinical Standards and Therapeutics Committee

3) We have the following formularies listed as used by the CCG/Trust:

- **County Durham and Darlington Formulary**

Please confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide a link/copy of relevant formularies.

Answer: Yes.

4) Are any of the above formularies dominant when making prescribing decisions or does this depend on therapy area?

Answer: RMOc decisions are only advisory, and are superseded by County Durham and Darlington Formulary.

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In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

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The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
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Hollyhurst Road
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The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
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Yours sincerely

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer