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By email
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Dear ██████████

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “FOI Act”)

We refer to your email of 27 May 2020 in which you requested information under the FOI Act from NHS Improvement. Since 1 April 2016, Monitor and the NHS Trust Development Authority have been operating as an integrated organisation known as NHS Improvement. For the purposes of this decision, NHS Improvement means Monitor and the TDA.

Your request

You made the following request:

- 1) *“How many contracts/ suppliers have applied for supplier relief under PPN 2?”*
- 2) *“Of those contracts how many have been to virtual clinics/ online doctors surgeries etc”*

Decision

NHS Improvement holds the information you have requested and has decided to release all of the information it holds.

(1) How many contracts/ suppliers have applied for supplier relief under PPN 2?

PPN 02/20 March 2020 is not a mechanism for suppliers applying for relief payments under a public contract. The Procurement Policy Note sets out information and guidance for public bodies on payment of their suppliers to ensure service continuity during and after the current coronavirus, COVID-19, outbreak. No NHS Improvement suppliers have requested relief payments and no such relief payments have been made on NHS Improvement contracts.

(2) Of those contracts how many have been to virtual clinics/ online doctors surgeries etc

Please see the response provided to question 1.

Review rights

If you consider that your request for information has not been properly handled or if you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you can try to resolve this informally with the person who dealt with your request. If you remain dissatisfied, you may seek an internal review within NHS Improvement of the issue or the decision. A senior member of NHS Improvement's staff, who has not previously been involved with your request, will undertake that review.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether your request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the FOI Act.

A request for an internal review should be submitted in writing to FOI Request Reviews, NHS Improvement, Skipton House, 80 London Road, London SE1 6LH or by email to nhsi.foi@nhs.net.

Publication

Please note that this letter will shortly be published on our website. This is because information disclosed in accordance with the FOI Act is disclosed to the public at large. We will, of course, remove your personal information (e.g. your name and contact details) from the version of the letter published on our website to protect your personal information from general disclosure.

Yours sincerely,

NHS Improvement