FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 793/18

Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request/Response:

On behalf of the Advisory Group on Contraception, I wish to make six separate requests under the Freedom of Information Act. For convenience, I am including them in the same email. The requests are as follows:

1. Please state the budget allocated (as opposed to outturn) by your local authority for the (a) financial year 2017/18 and (b) financial year 2018/19 for all sexual and reproductive health services (please give combined budget if within a block contract). This includes services commissioned via GPs and pharmacists.

   Answer: The budget allocated by Rutland County Council for all sexual and reproductive health services, including services commissioned via GPs and pharmacists for the financial year 2017/18 was £218,200. The budget allocated by Rutland County Council for all sexual and reproductive health services, including services commissioned via GPs and pharmacists for the financial year 2018/19 is £218,200.

2. Please state the budget allocated by your local authority for (a) financial year 2017/18, and (b) financial year 2018/19 for (i) contraception, (ii) GUM services and (iii) HIV prevention. Please do state if your sexual and reproductive health services are integrated and you are unable to separate spend.

   Answer: The budget allocated by Rutland County Council for (a) financial years 2017/18, and (b) financial year 2018/19 cannot be separated for (i) contraception, (ii) GUM services and (iii) HIV prevention, as the sexual and reproductive health service commissioned by Leicestershire County Council is an integrated service.

3. Please provide the number of sites commissioned by your local authority, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in (a) the
financial year 2015/16, (b) the financial year 2016/17, (c) the financial year 2017/18 and
(d) plans for the financial year 2018/19.

(a) Answer: The number of sites commissioned by Rutland County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in the financial year 2015/16 was as follows:

a. Integrated Sexual Health Service commissioned across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland with 2 hub sites and 31 sessional clinic sites, of which 1 sessional site was located in Rutland.

b. 4 general practice sites providing IUD/S and Implant services

c. 5 Pharmacy sites providing free emergency contraception for under 25s.

(b) The number of sites commissioned by Rutland County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in the financial year 2016/17 was as follows:

a. Integrated Sexual Health Service commissioned across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland with 2 hub sites and 31 sessional clinic sites, of which 1 sessional site was located in Rutland.

b. 3 general practice sites providing IUD/S and Implant services

c. 6 Pharmacy sites providing free emergency hormonal contraception for under 25s.

(c) The number of sites commissioned by Rutland County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in the financial year 2017/18 was as follows:

a. Integrated Sexual Health Service commissioned across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland with 2 hub sites and 34 sessional clinic sites, of which 2 sessional sites were located in Rutland.

b. 4 General Practice sites providing IUD/S and Implant services

c. 4 Pharmacy sites providing free emergency hormonal contraception for under 25s.

(d) The number of sites commissioned by Leicestershire County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in the financial year Q1-3 2018/17 is as follows:

a. Integrated Sexual Health Service commissioned across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland with 2 hub sites and 27 sessional clinic sites, of which 2 sessional sites are located in Rutland.

b. 4 general practice sites providing IUD/S and Implant services
c.  4 Pharmacy sites providing free emergency hormonal contraception for under 25s.

(e) The number of sites commissioned by Rutland County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in the financial year Q4 2018/19 is planned as follows:

a. Integrated Sexual Health Service commissioned across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland with 2 hub sites and 19 sessional clinic sites, of which 2 sessional sites are located in Rutland.

b. 4 general practice sites providing IUD/S and Implant services

c. 4 Pharmacy sites providing free emergency hormonal contraception for under 25s.

4. Please confirm or deny if there has been a reduction in the number of sites commissioned by your local authority, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in (a) the financial year 2017/18 and (b) if there are any plans to reduce sites in the financial year 2018/19. If confirm, please (i) confirm or deny whether an impact assessment was undertaken and (ii) if so, share the impact assessment.

a) Answer: There has been a reduction in the number of sites commissioned by Rutland County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by the local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in the financial year 2017/18 as a result of

(i) Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland integrated sexual health service changes in arrangements with sub contracted providers based in Leicester City, and changes in young people’s service venues

(ii) Decrease in Pharmacy sites re-tendering to provide free EHC for under 25s.

b) There has been a reduction in the number of sites commissioned by Rutland County Council, or a provider sub-contracted by the local authority, to deliver contraceptive services in Q1-3 of the financial year 2018/19 as a result of

(i) Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland changes in arrangements with sub contracted providers based in Leicester City and changes young people’s service venues.

(ii) Re-tendering of the integrated sexual service across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland results in a new service model delivered from January 2019 which is expected to result in a reduction of sessional clinics by 2 sites, although no reduction to sites located in Rutland. An impact assessment was undertaken for Rutland County Council as part of the Integrated Sexual Health Service re-procurement process. (Attached)

5. Please confirm or deny if your local authority contracted a lead provider for the fitting and removal of intra-uterine devices (IUD) and systems (IUS) in your area for the financial years (a) 2017/18 and (b) 2018/19.
If confirm, please provide for each of these financial years (i) the name of the lead provider, (ii) the number of sub-contracts they hold for the fitting and removal of IUD and IUS with community services (not general practice) and (iii) the number of sub-contracts they hold for the fitting and removal of IUD and IUS with GP practices.

If deny, please provide for each of these financial years (i) the number of contracts you hold for the fitting and removal of IUD and IUS with community services (not general practice) and (ii) the number of contracts you hold for the fitting and removal of IUD and IUS with GP practices.

Answer: Rutland County Council contracted with lead providers for the fitting and removal of intra-uterine devices (IUD) and systems (IUS) in the area for the financial years (a) 2017/18 (b) 2018/19.

In the financial years (a) 2017/18 and (b) 2018/19, the lead providers are as follows:

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent NHS Partnership Trust sub-contracts with 5 GP practices although none are based in Rutland.

East Leicestershire and Rutland Federation sub-contracts with 9 GP practices, of which 4 are based in Rutland.

In addition contracts are held for the fitting and removal of IUD and IUS with:

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent NHS Partnership Trust from a range of community venues.

6. Please confirm or deny if your local authority contracted a lead provider for the fitting and removal of contraceptive implants in your area for the financial years (a) 2017/18 and (b) 2018/19.

If confirm, please provide for each of these financial years (i) the name of the lead provider, (ii) the number of sub-contracts they hold for the fitting and removal of implants with community services (not general practice) and (iii) the number of sub-contracts they hold for the fitting and removal of implants with GP practices.

If deny, please provide for each of these financial years (i) the number of contracts you hold for the fitting and removal of implants with community services (not general practice) and (ii) the number of contracts you hold for the fitting and removal of implants with GP practices.

Answer: Rutland County Council contracted with lead providers for the fitting and removal of implants in the area for the financial years (a) 2017/18 (b) 2018/19.

In the financial years (a) 2017/18 and (b) 2018/19, the lead providers are as follows:

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent NHS Partnership Trust sub-contracts with 5 GP practices although none are based in Rutland.

East Leicestershire and Rutland Federation sub-contracts with 9 GP practices, of which 4 are based in Rutland.
In addition contracts are held for the fitting and removal of IUD and IUS with:

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent NHS Partnership Trust from a range of community venues.

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Yours faithfully

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