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Freedom of Information Request

I am writing to ask for some information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please could you answer the following:

1. How much has your CCG spent on breast implant removal in the last five years?
2. Of that amount, how much was spent on removing PIP implants?
3. How much has your CCG spent on breast implant surgery in the past five years?
4. Of that, how many were for psychological reasons and NOT post mastectomy/cancer or severe chest trauma? Is it possible to break down why the surgery was carried out on the NHS?

NHS Norwich CCG response

NHS Norwich CCG would like to respond as follows:

1. Please note, the CCGs came into existence as a statutory body from 1 April 2013 therefore information prior to this date is not held. In relation to the information requested from 1 April 2013 onwards, please see below:

CCG	Spend
NHS North Norfolk	£7,242
NHS South Norfolk	£10,599
NHS West Norfolk	£5,370
NHS Norwich	£2,068

2. The information requested is not held. The CCGs do not hold any records on whether any requests for breast implant removal were approved on removing PIP implants.
3. Please note, the CCGs came into existence as a statutory body from 1 April 2013 therefore information prior to this date is not held. In relation to the information requested from 1 April 2013 onwards, the CCGs have spent nil on breast implant surgery. The CCGs do not fund implant surgery.
4. Nil. The CCGs do not approve requests due to psychological reasons.