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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding persistent pain services within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

As a FOI request please could you inform us of

1. When your services containing a persistent pain element will be under review

[The only service which may be put out to tender post April 2016 would be: Back Pain Any Qualified Provider \(AQP\).](#)

2. When the current contractual agreement for persistent pain services is to end

[All NHS South Sefton CCG contracts are for a period of 1 year. Therefore, this would be 31 March 2016.](#)

3. The likelihood that there will be open competition for the persistent pain service at the end of the current contract

[The intentions regarding future procurement are still under discussion, however, it is likely to be via open competition.](#)

4. Where you would advertise the opportunity advertised

[NHS South Sefton CCG would advertise on Contract Finder.](#)