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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Request/[Response](#):

1. How many GPs have been signed off, or not been at work, due to stress, work related stress or anxiety or depression in the last five years.

Please can you break this down per year, and for each of the diagnoses above.

[NHS South Sefton CCG does not keep a record of individual GP sickness absences. Practices are independent contractors and GPs working in each practice will either be partners or salaried \(employed\), therefore GP sickness records will be kept by each individual practice.](#)

2. Can you also let me know the average amount of time the GPs have taken off for each of the diagnoses and the, shortest and longest amounts of time any GP has been away from work.

[See response in Q1.](#)

3. Can you let me know how many GPs have had to leave the profession all together due any of the diagnoses.

[See response in Q1](#)

4. Does your CCG, provide free counselling for GPs with any of these diagnoses? If yes, when did the CCG start doing this? How many counselling sessions do you provide before the doctor has to pay?

[NHS South Sefton CCG does not provide free counselling sessions for GPs.](#)

[The link below gives access to the NHSE website which shows statistics for various organisations. This may be of assistance.](#)

<http://www.hscic.gov.uk/workforce>