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

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

Request/[Response](#):

I am emailing you today on behalf of Pulse Magazine. As part of my work experience duties I've been asked to collate information on referral management policies for CCG's in the UK.

Simply put, we want to establish if GP referrals made in GP surgeries in your CCG are sent to external referral management companies to determine their validity and clinical value.

Can you please provide/confirm the referral management policy for South Sefton CCG.

[NHS South Sefton CCG does not have a referral management policy, however are working towards a Referral Optimisation Support System](#)

Where a document does not exist can you please provide confirmation as to whether one is operated within the clinical commissioning group.

[NHS South Sefton CCG is currently considering options for referral optimisation.](#)