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

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

Request/Response:

Please find below an Information request about NHS bariatric surgery:

 What is the total number of bariatric procedures carried out (as opposed to assessments for surgery completed) since change in surgical provider for Lancashire, Merseyside and Cheshire patients in April 2017?

NHS South Sefton CCG understands that 70 procedures have been carried out across the patch.

2. What is the duration of any existing contract for NHS bariatric surgery in Lancashire, Merseyside and Cheshire?

The contract with University Hospital North Midlands is being extended until March 2019.

3. What are the plans for tendering of the NHS bariatric surgery in the Northwest at the end of any contracts in 2 above?

The CCGs across Merseyside and Cheshire, to best meet the needs of patients and pursuant to the Public Contract Regulation 2015 and Procurement, Patient Choice and Competition Regulations 2013, will be issuing a Prior Information notice as a precursor to more extensive market engagement activities to gauge market interest in delivering service provision following the end of the current contract. This will inform any decision to go to tender.