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Date Received: 14th October 2024

Response Due: 11th November 2024

Date: 31st October 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 14th October 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. **Since 2014 how many independent investigations were sanctioned by your trust and how many of those sanctioned were allocated to specifically to an organisation called 'NICHE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CONSULTING LIMITED', please?**

6 independent reviews commissioned for StEIS investigations since 2014.

0 of these were incidents commissioned from the Niche Health and Social Care Consulting Limited.

2. **How many investigations carried out by Niche since start of 2014 were 'Paediatric' cases please?**

None.

3. **Please can you tell me the total trust spend on NICHE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CONSULTING LIMITED by financial year from 2014 to date. For the current financial year please just give me the total spend so far.**

The Trust has made 0 payments.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sanjay Arya', written over a horizontal line.

Sanjay Arya
Medical Director

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If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

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The Information Commissioner's Office
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