



Freedom of Information request & West Norfolk CCG response

WN-2016-00271 – Fertility Treatments and Plans

The revised 2013 NICE guidelines recommend that 3 cycles of IVF treatment should be provided for couples where the female partner is aged under 39, has an identified cause of infertility or infertility of two years duration.

Women aged 40-42 years who have not conceived after two years of regular unprotected intercourse or 12 cycles of artificial insemination, should be offered one full cycle of IVF

1. Could you set out your current IVF policy?

- *Number of cycles of IVF: Up to two cycles*
- *Maximum number of embryo transfer including fresh and frozen: Up to four*
- *Age: Maximum maternal age 42 years and 364 days*

2. How much money have you spent on IVF in the years 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16.

	<i>Spend</i>
2013/14	£8,228
2014/15	£53,075
2015/16	£194,502
2016/17	£181,145

For each year, how many people received IVF treatment and, of that number how many resulted in pregnancy, no pregnancy, cancelled or awaiting results

The information requested is not held by the CCG. It is advised you refer your request to the relevant providers who may hold the information you seek.

NHS West Norfolk CCG's local acute provider is [The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn NHS Foundation Trust](#).

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and can be contacted via <http://www.guysandstthomas.nhs.uk/about-us/publications/foi/freedom-of-information.aspx>
Bourn Hall Fertility Clinic can be contacted via <https://www.bournhall.co.uk/get-in-touch/>

- 3. What is your estimated funding gap for the years 2015/16, 2016/17 2017/18 and 2019/20?**

The information requested is not held.

- 4. Is the funding gap affecting your ability to fund fertility treatments? And more broadly, do you think IVF provision by the NHS is unsustainable in light of funding pressures?**

The information requested is not held.

- 5. Have you held a public consultation on IVF provision in your local area? If you have held a consultation can you provide the details of the questions you asked and the decision you made in regard to services?**

The information requested is not held. The CCG have not held a public consultation on the provision of IVF.

- 6. If you answered no to question 5, do you have any plans to hold a public consultation on IVF provision? If so, can you detail the proposed scope of that consultation and the options you will offer the local community in regards to service?**

The information requested is not held. There are currently no plans to hold a public consultation on IVF consultation.

- 7. If you answered no to question 6 will you rule out running a consultation in 2017/18, 2018/19 and/or 2019/20**

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