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Dear,

Re: Request for information under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

NHS Devon Integrated Care Board (ICB) is confirming in accordance with Section - (1) (a) of the Act, whether it holds the information requested and (b) is supplying it unless otherwise specified.

NHS Devon can confirm it holds part of the requested information specifically information in response to the first 3 parts of question 1.

To assist you with the remaining part of your request, the information is likely to be held at each GP practice - General practice (GP) and online consultations - One Devon

You requested the following information.

I am requesting statistical information concerning the identification of members of the Armed Forces community within GP patient records in your Integrated Care Board area.

1. Information requested

For the most recent available snapshot, please provide the following for each GP practice within your ICB area:

GP practice name

Please refer to the published information on our Devon Primary Care Networks - One Devon and the attached spreadsheet.

GP practice ODS code

This information forms part of the published information.

total registered patient population

This information forms part of the published information.

number of unique currently registered patients whose GP record contains each of the following SNOMED CT concepts:

SNOMED CT concept ID

753651000000107 - Military veteran
702348006 - Active military duty
933041000000109 - Armed Forces Reservist
988811000000102 - Family of active serving member of the Armed Forces
844341000000104 - Dependant of former serving member of British Armed Forces

Please provide a separate unique patient count for each SNOMED CT concept rather than combining them into a single Armed Forces total.

If the ICB routinely uses any additional SNOMED CT concepts specifically to identify members of the Armed Forces community, please provide those codes and counts where readily available.

2. Small numbers

I recognise that practice-level information may produce small numbers. I am requesting aggregate statistical information only and no personally identifiable patient information.

Where your disclosure-control policy would normally require suppression of small numbers, I am content for:

a genuine zero to be reported as 0

any count between 1 and 5 to be reported as 1–5 or ≤5

exact figures to be provided for larger counts where permitted.

If your disclosure-control policy requires a different small-number band, please provide the narrowest band permitted rather than suppressing the value entirely, where possible.

3. Data coverage

Please confirm:

the date of the data or snapshot provided

the number of GP practices covered by the data

the total number of GP practices within the ICB

whether any GP practices or clinical systems are excluded.

4. If the information is not held

If the ICB does not hold or cannot extract the requested information, please identify the organisation or service which holds or processes the relevant GP data, where known.

Format

Please provide the information electronically, preferably in CSV or Excel format, with:

GP practice name | ODS code | snapshot date | registered population | separate patient count for each SNOMED CT concept

I am seeking aggregate statistical information only and do not require any patient-level or personally identifiable information.

Satisfaction

We trust this matter has been dealt with to your satisfaction but if there is anything you need clarifying, please do not hesitate to contact the office on 01392 205205 or emailing d-icb.foi@nhs.net Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision or make a complaint, you can write to the office and arrangements will be made for an independent review. You can write directly to the NHS Devon Chief Executive Officer if you prefer using the "contact us" details displayed on the NHS Devon website.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the independent review, you have the right to appeal again to the Information Commission at:
Information Commission Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
Fax: 01625 524 510

Yours sincerely,

The Freedom of Information Office
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