From the LLR ICB Corporate Governance Team

Our Ref: B19012024LLR

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Dear Requester,

**Freedom of Information Request**

*We are researching the use of online sexual health testing services. These services allow citizens concerned that they may have a sexually transmitted infection to order a test kit to be sent to their home, and then to either self-test at home, or return a sample to the laboratory, receive a result usually via email or text message, and to obtain medicines and further advice if required.*

*Please answer the following questions in relation to online sexual health services.*

*1. Does the authority commission or procure these services*

*2. In each of the financial periods 2021-22, 2022-23, April to December 2024*

*a. How much did the authority spend on these services*

*b. How many citizens were tested using online services*

*3. How much was spent (by the authority or predecessor organisations) in each period with each of the following providers for online sexual health services*

*a. Preventx*

*b. SH 24*

*c. TDL or their NHS joint venture, Health Service Laboratories*

*d. Viapath*

*e. Synlab or their joint venture, Synnovis*

*f. Lloyd’s pharmacy*

*g. NHS Trusts/ their laboratory services*

*h. Other. Please name any provider where the spend in any year exceeded £100,000*

*4. When did the authority last issue a tender for these services*

*5. When does the current contract expire*

**Response to Question 1. – Question 5.:** Please note that Sexual Health services are commissioned by the local authority. Please be advised to redirect your request to the relevant local authority listed below:

* Leicestershire County Council - foi@leics.gov.uk
* Leicester City Council – online form via <https://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council/how-we-work/data-protection-and-foia/freedom-of-information/>
* Rutland County Council - foi@rutland.gov.uk

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