

Patient and Client Council 5th Floor, 14-16 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7BA

28th January 2025

By Email

Ref: FOI 2376

Dear

I am writing to you in response to your Freedom of Information request received by the Patient and Client Council (PCC) on 17th December 2024 in which you requested the information below:

I am looking for some guidance with reference to the Government's Transparency Agenda, which requires public sector bodies like yours to publish details of spend value. I have been onto your organisation's website but I am unable to locate your Spend/Transparency data.

Firstly, please accept my apologies for the delay in providing a response.

I can advise that our spend is found in our annual report and accounts which is on our website at pcc-annual-report-and-accounts-2023-24.pdf

I hope that the information provided assists you. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter, as the PCC, along with all other public authorities are not obliged to accept internal review requests after this period has lapsed.

In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to The Business Services Organisation (BSO), which provides an Information Governance service on our behalf:

Post: Information Governance Manager,

2 Franklin Street,

Belfast, BT2 8DQ

Email: foi.bso@hscni.net

If, following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision-making panel, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PCC has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act

You can contact Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office – Northern Ireland 10th Floor Causeway Tower 9 James Street South Belfast BT2 8DN

Telephone: 0303 123 1114

Email: ni@ico.org.uk

In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Yours Sincerely,

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Business and Governance Manager

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