Freedom of information request NCC-028999-17

Thank you for your recent Freedom of information request for ease we have provided our response alongside each point raised as follows:

1. How many Child Protection Medical Examinations were requested by Nottinghamshire Social Care in the last three years?

Nottinghamshire County Council do not hold the numbers of Child protection medicals completed in a reportable format. To establish an accurate amount we would need to access all child protection cases to establish if the information requested is held. You may be aware that there is a statutory limit to the amount of time authorities are required to spend retrieving and collating information in order to respond to a request. This is defined in the Fees and Appropriate Limit Regulations and currently stands at 2.5 days or 18 hours. We estimate that it will take one officer in excess of 2.5 days to view the records to see if the information requested is recorded. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act we are not obliged to process requests that exceed this limit.

- 2. Is a standard fee payable to the lead medical professional for a Medical Examination? No standard fee is payable for the medical examination.
- If so, what was that standard fee during each of the three years?
- If there was not a standard fee, what was the average fee (by year)?
- 3. Does the lead medical professional receive a fee from Social Care for attending a Child Protection Conference? If so, how much? No Fee is payable for the lead medical professional to attend the CP conference.

I hope the information we have provided is helpful to you.

If you are unhappy with the way your request was dealt with and wish to make a complaint, please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference above.

Following this, if you remain dissatisfied, you can apply to the Information Commissioner, however, the Information Commissioner does not usually make a decision unless you have exhausted the procedure provided by the County Council. The information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 54 57 45 www.ico.org.uk

With kind regards

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