

Reference: FOI.ICB-2324/358

Subject: Community Pharmacy Consultation Service (CPCS) dataset

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

| QUESTION | RESPONSE |
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| <p>I would be grateful if you could respond to a further request in relation to the Community Pharmacy Consultation Service (CPCS) dataset relating to a publication by Avon LPC available at Case study: Demonstrating antimicrobial stewardship in community pharmacy - Community Pharmacy England (cpe.org.uk)</p> <p>I understand the ICB has access to data relating to the CPCS which the report implies contains information about the clinical presentation of each patient which includes “the marker” for sore throat.</p> <p>I would be grateful if you could confirm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) whether the CPCS dataset is available to the ICB? 2) Whether the CPCS dataset includes self-referrals to community pharmacies or just referrals made by NHS services (e.g. NHS111, GPs etc)? 3) The total number of CPCS referrals made to community pharmacies each month for the period November 2018 to September 2023 where a marker was included indicating sore throat as the reason for referral indicating whether the referral originated from GPs, NHS111 or self-referral (if these data are available) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The CPCS data is available to the ICB (Nov-20 to Sept 23) 2) The data only contains referrals from GPs 3) See appendix 1. This shows the total number sent to the pharmacy. The next column is those sent back to the GP practice and the last column are the ones managed by the pharmacy. In certain instances this may result in the supply of antibiotics. |

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 15 January 2023 and has been approved for release by Dr Joanne Medhurst, Chief Medical Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.

Appendix 1

| Month | All patients referred to Pharmacy | Patients escalated back to GP | Patients managed by the pharmacy |
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| Nov-20 | 25 | 2 | 23 |
| Dec-20 | 25 | 4 | 21 |
| Jan-21 | 22 | 2 | 20 |
| Feb-21 | 27 | 4 | 23 |
| Mar-21 | 56 | 5 | 51 |
| Apr-21 | 53 | 9 | 44 |
| May-21 | 82 | 8 | 74 |
| Jun-21 | 103 | 14 | 89 |
| Jul-21 | 81 | 10 | 71 |
| Aug-21 | 96 | 4 | 92 |
| Sep-21 | 152 | 10 | 142 |
| Oct-21 | 210 | 16 | 194 |
| Nov-21 | 354 | 24 | 330 |
| Dec-21 | 319 | 26 | 293 |
| Jan-22 | 208 | 24 | 184 |
| Feb-22 | 338 | 23 | 315 |
| Mar-22 | 486 | 31 | 455 |
| Apr-22 | 336 | 24 | 312 |
| May-22 | 368 | 30 | 338 |
| Jun-22 | 416 | 26 | 390 |
| Jul-22 | 441 | 32 | 409 |
| Aug-22 | 356 | 32 | 324 |
| Sep-22 | 381 | 35 | 346 |

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| Oct-22 | 492 | 33 | 459 |
| Nov-22 | 638 | 57 | 581 |
| Dec-22 | 916 | 112 | 804 |
| Jan-23 | 613 | 48 | 565 |
| Feb-23 | 687 | 48 | 639 |
| Mar-23 | 864 | 60 | 804 |
| Apr-23 | 471 | 19 | 452 |
| May-23 | 578 | 35 | 543 |
| Jun-23 | 538 | 44 | 494 |
| Jul-23 | 563 | 33 | 530 |
| Aug-23 | 438 | 30 | 408 |
| Sep-23 | 414 | 24 | 390 |