Maidstone and WES Tunbridge Wells

NHS Trust

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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Online STI home testing service.

You asked:

- 1. Who is the provider of your online STI home testing provider?
- 2. What year was the contract awarded to your online STI home testing provider?
- 3. Was the contract awarded by Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust to the online provider as part of an open tender procurement process?
- 4. Was the contract awarded by Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust to the online provider as a single tender waiver?
- 5. How much did you spend on your online STI home testing contract with your online provider in the last three years?

 Dates

Total Spend

01/01/2017 - 31/12/2017

01/01/2016 - 31/12/2016

01/01/2015 - 31/12/2015

- 6. Please if your online STI testing provider is registered with CQC for the regulated activity diagnostics and screening?
- 7. What safeguarding assessment is undertaken on your online STI home testing service for under 18's?
- 8. How are safeguarding concerns highlighted by service users during ordering for their online STI home testing kit communicated by your online service to your local safeguarding lead?
- 9. How many safeguarding concerns highlighted by your online STI home testing service have been referred to your local safeguarding lead between 01/10/2017 and 31/09/2018?
- 10. Where are service users who test positive for chlamydia on the online STI testing service referred for treatment?
- 11. What are the treatment outcomes of the chlamydia positive users of the online STI testing service provider. I.e.: Between 01/10/2017 and 31/09/2018
- how many service users tested positive on your online STI testing service

and how many of them are confirmed as having been treated by clinic or GP??

Trust response:

- 1. Preventx.
- 2. 2017.
- 3. No.
- 4. Yes. In accordance with the Trust SFI's a single tender waiver was justified under the grounds that procurement timescales precluded competitive tendering
- 5. Dates

Total Spend

01/01/2017 - 31/12/2017

The invoice for services provided during this period was £57,429.50 plus VAT.

01/01/2016 - 31/12/2016

Not applicable

01/01/2015 - 31/12/2015

Not applicable

- 6. Preventx is registered with CQC for the regulated activity diagnostics and screening.
- 7. The online STI testing service is available to Kent residents who are 16 and over. Specific questions relating to safeguarding concerns are covered within the on-line triage assessment.
- 8. The questions relating to safeguarding concerns are mandatory on the triage assessment.
- 205 safeguarding concerns were identified during the period of 01/10/17 to 03/09/18. All of these were dealt with in line with MTW's NHS Safeguarding policy.
- 10. Positive patients are recommended to attend for treatment, at the most appropriate to suit their preference. This includes:

Local pharmacy

Local Sexual Health clinic

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Positive tests	804
Patients contacted with results and referred	804
for treatment	
Patients confirmed as treated and compliant	708
with medication	
Patients unable to be contacted to confirm	96
treated and/or compliant with medication	
(after 3 attempts)	