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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 Non- Emergency Patient Transport.

You asked:

Provision of Non-Emergency Patient Transport Service to Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust.

The details we require are:

- 1) Start date & duration of framework/contracts across Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust?*
- 2) Could you please provide details of the current supplier(s) delivering the service(s)?*
- 3) Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date?*
- 4) Can you provide activity levels across contract(s), annual Journeys per year?*
- 5) Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?*
- 6) Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?*
- 7) If a decision has been made to go to market; can you provide an indicative timeline of when procurement activities are likely to commence?*
- 8) Can you confirm whether the Authority intend to conduct any market engagement events prior to procurement process?*
- 9) Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible across contracts?*

Trust response:

The contract for NEPTS sits with the Kent and Medway CCG please contact them directly for further information.

The Trust does contract some extra Taxi contractual journeys. The contract is held for all taxi services including staff.

1. 20th August 2018 - 31st July 2021

2. Streamline

3. The Trust is applying the Section 43 exemption to this question.

4. Unable to supply as information is not split between staff and patient services.

5. 2 years

6. Extended

7. No decision been made to go out to market

8. We would do

9. Falls under the remit of the Interim Director of Estates Mark Hope.