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Dear

**Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**  
**Ref no: FOI-2920-LSC**

Thank you for your request dated 16 February 2023.

We can confirm that the ICB does hold part of the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q1	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Please provide me with a full comprehensive list of what oral contraceptive pills (that includes the combined pill, the mini pill etc.) are on the recommended formulary to be prescribed in your area?</p> <hr/> <p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>Blackpool and Fylde and Wyre:</b> <b>Don't have a formulary so there is not a recommended preference.</b></p> <p><b>The recommended formularies can be found online at the below links:</b></p> <p><b>Chorley and Greater Preston:</b> <a href="http://www.centrallancashireformulary.nhs.uk/">http://www.centrallancashireformulary.nhs.uk/</a></p> <p><b>Morecambe Bay:</b> <a href="http://www.morecambebayformulary.nhs.uk/chapters.asp">http://www.morecambebayformulary.nhs.uk/chapters.asp</a></p> <p><b>Pennine Lancashire:</b> <a href="http://www.elmmb.nhs.uk">www.elmmb.nhs.uk</a></p> <p><b>West Lancashire Formulary</b> <a href="https://www.panmerseyapc.nhs.uk/formulary/">https://www.panmerseyapc.nhs.uk/formulary/</a></p>
Q2	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>What oral contraceptives pills (that includes the combined pill, the mini pill etc.) are not on the available formulary and are restricted from being prescribed in your area, and for what reason e.g. too costly?</p>

	<i>For both questions above please provide me with the most up to date data you have on record.</i>
	Our Response:  <b>Blackpool and Fylde and Wyre: Not applicable</b>  <b>NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB do not hold a list of restricted medicines. Anything not listed at the above links is non formulary and not approved for use.</b>

### **Right of Appeal**

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within two calendar months from the date this response was issued.

### **To request an internal review**

You can request this by contacting the FOI team by email at [MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net](mailto:MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net) or by post to Jubilee House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TR, specifying why you require a review.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the CCGs FOI complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

**On behalf of Kevin Lavery  
ICB Chief Executive**