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I am responding to your request for information received 16 October 2024. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Wycliffe House
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Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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Request: The following questions I would like you to answer please under 'Freedom of Information Act'.

Question 1: Since 2014 how many independent investigations were sanctioned by your trust and how many of those sanctioned were allocated to specifically to an organisation called 'NICHE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CONSULTING LIMITED', please?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

Reviews are not sanctioned by East London NHS Foundation Trust. Any reviews are sanctioned directly by North East London Integrated Care Board (NELICB), BLMK Integrated Care Board (BLMK) and NHS England (NHSE). The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: How many investigations carried out by Niche since start of 2014 were 'Paediatric' cases please?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide Paediatric services. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 3: Please can you tell me the total trust spend on NICHE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CONSULTING LIMITED by financial year from 2014 to date. For the current financial year please just give me the total spend so far.

Answer: The Trust has no recorded spend on Niche Health and Social Care Consulting Limited for this period including in the current financial year.



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