



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2018-01013

**Keyword:** Organisational Information/Governance

**Subject:** Medical Services Contracts

### Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does hold information to which your request relates and the decision has been taken to disclose the following.

#### Request 1

Which company(s) holds the contract to supply your current police custody medical services.

#### Request 2

Please state the full name of your Authority.

#### Request 3

Please state if this service was procured through a framework agreement with other Public Authorities (if so please provide the names of the other Authorities). If yes, please also state which Authority holds the contract.

#### Answer

In relation to Request 1 – 3, Forensic Medical Officers (FMO) are engaged by PSNI on individual contracts to provide healthcare in Custody. The contract is the same for all providing service to custody. Given the nature of this service provision, currently there is no tender process as FMOs are engaged via appropriately placed advertisements when required. There is therefore no commissioning authority or company providing this service.

#### Request 4

Please state the contract start date and end date of your current contract.

#### Answer

Each contract ends 31/3/2019. Most commenced 1/4/2017 however some have been engaged in 2017 with the end date remaining at 31/3/2019.

#### Request 5

What is the expected total value of the contract?

**Answer**

Total value of contract currently is £9,800,000.

**Request 6**

Are there provisions for contract extensions (including how many years and the extension terms). If yes, please state if the contract extension been awarded

**Answer**

Currently PSNI is working with Health & Social Care in transforming the delivery of custody healthcare. It is currently envisaged that this future service will be delivered by a Health & Social Care Trust.

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 9070 0164. When contacting the Freedom of Information Team, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this letter.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Head of Freedom of Information, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing [foi@psni.pnn.police.uk](mailto:foi@psni.pnn.police.uk).

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you were to remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request you may make a complaint, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PSNI has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can write to the Information Commissioner at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out, however the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

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Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.