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## **Freedom of Information Act Request**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

Are you on any of the below frameworks for language services (face to face interpreting spoken and non-spoken, telephone and video interpreting and translation) and if so which one?

- Eastern Shires Purchasing Organization (ESPO)
- London Procurement Partnership (LPP)
- NHS SBS
- North-East Purchasing Organization (NEPO)
- NOECPC
- Health Trust Europe (HTE)
- Crown Commercial Services (CCS)

If you are not on any of the above frameworks, please confirm how you are accessing services.

 What is the expiry date/s of your current language services contracts including telephone interpreting, face to face interpreting spoken and non-spoken and translation?

The Big Word 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025 Clarion 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025 DITU none, purchase order agreement

- Who is your current provider for each of these services?
- What was the spend by year for the last 2 financial years (2023 and 2024) in total and broken down by service
  - i. Telephone Interpreting The Big Word
  - ii. Face to Face Interpreting DITU
  - iii. British Sign Language Clarion
  - iv. Translation DITU

Finally, who is the Contract Manager and Senior Responsible Owner regarding the language services? Head of Patient Experience

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to d.wraith@nhs.net.

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If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113

Website: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/">https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/</a>